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GRANGE NEWS

FRANKLIN GRANGE
Franklin Grange held its regular meeting Saturday afternoon, Jan. 19. So much business had to be attended to that the program was omitted. The Grange voted to invest in twenty War Savings Stamps. The Overseer, Claude Cushman, presented the Grange with a nice desk of his own making. It is a very good piece of workmanship. The Grange gave Mr. Cushman a rising vote of thanks. The Chaplain, Mrs. Emily Felt, is on the sick list. During the meeting post cards were written to her. Bro. Frank Davis, the delegate to State Grange, gave an interesting account of the work done there. About fifty members were present. We hope to have as many next time. Jan. 26 in the evening, there will be a special meeting for the purpose of conferring the first and second degrees.

PARIS GRANGE
Paris Grange met Jan. 19 at 1.30 p. m. All of the officers excepting the Gate Keeper were present. Three were elected to membership and three applications were received. A vote was taken to send the Lecturer, Mrs. Jessica C. Thayer, to the Conference at Augusta. Program of meeting: Song, American; by Grange; Address of Welcome, E. D. Dudley; Response, H. E. Judd, for the N. E. M. P. A.; Recitation, Mary S. Cummings; Remarks about Thrift, Stamps, W. L. Gray, Esq. About \$75 worth of stamps were taken during the afternoon. C. M. White of Bowdoinham spoke in the interests of the N. E. M. P. A. Feb. 8 the Association meets at South Paris and Paris Grange will serve dinner at 35 cents per plate. Next meeting will be held Feb. 2 at 1.30 p. m.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE
The regular meeting of Bear River Grange, No. 285, was held in the Grange Hall, Newry Corner, Jan. 19, at 8.30 P. M. W. M. filled vacant chairs as follows: G. K., Ezra Chapman; Steward, Duncan McPherson; Ceres, Nellie Holt; Flora, Nellie Chapman. Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. Under unfinished business the worthy Master reported that the Stewards would not serve. On motion it was voted to elect one, and P. O. Brink was elected. Gate Keeper-elect, Leon E. Wright. On motion it was voted to let the hall Friday night, Jan. 25, for a whist party. On motion it was voted to let Decia Foster have the Grange organ. The following committees were appointed:

Executive Com.—S. P. Davis, M. A. Holt, P. I. French.
Finance Com.—F. W. Wright, A. E. Bailey, P. O. Brink.
Com. on Charity—Mrs. C. D. Bean, E. P. Davis and wife, L. A. Roberts and wife.
A. E. Bailey, Perot Brink, Selma Smith.
Literary program: Addie Saunders, Bro. and Sister Wright, Carrie French, Selma Smith, L. E. Wright.
Question for next meeting: "Which is the greatest nuisance, a man working in the house, or a woman working out of the house?" opened by Sister Carrie French.

Under suggestions for the good of the order the following were made: Bro. Earl Davis, that the Grange have a box supper in the near future. Sister Cora Davis, that each member earn \$1 between now and the last meeting in March to pay on place and also to tell how they earned it. Bro. M. A. Holt, that each gentleman member loan the Grange \$5 to paint the hall.

On motion it was voted to go back to new business. Discussion in regard to having afternoon meetings. On motion it was voted not to make any change. There were 18 members present.

INTERVIEW WITH TEN RULES OF LIFE

1. Never put off until tomorrow what you can do today.
2. Never spend your money before you have it.
3. Never trouble others for what you can do yourself.
4. Never buy what you do not need because it is cheap.
5. Remember that pride costs more than hunger, thirst, or cold.
6. One never repeats at having eaten too little.
7. Nothing is ever troublesome that we do willingly.
8. The most pain comes from those evils that never have happened, except in our imaginations.
9. Take things always by their smooth handles.
10. When angry, count ten before you speak; when very angry count a hundred.

GOULD'S ACADEMY

Miss Pratt has not yet returned but is expected the last of this week.

Money is being collected from the pupils for the purchase of a service flag.

The Y. M. C. A. meeting will be led this week by William Hall. His topic will be, "Build for Character not for Fame."

The Y. W. C. A. meeting will be led this week by Marion Kousion. Her topic will be, "Christ's Yoke, What It Is, How to Wear It."

Many of the pupils went to West Paris, Friday evening to witness the basketball game. Our boys were defeated 37 to 9, but the girls' team was victorious with the score of 19 to 11. The boys were greatly handicapped by the narrowness of the floor and the condition of the ceiling. A third game on a neutral floor will probably be played later.

GOULD'S
Goals Goals
Young, Jr., 0 0 0
Bryant, Jr., 0 0 0
Hastings, Jr., 0 0 0
Hastings, Jr., 0 0 0
Bartlett, Jr., 0 0 0
Floor Goal Total
Goals Goals
Young, Jr., 0 0 0
Bryant, Jr., 0 0 0
Hastings, Jr., 0 0 0
Hastings, Jr., 0 0 0
Bartlett, Jr., 0 0 0
Total, 15 5 37

The girls played fast, clean basketball and won a close game. The summary of the game is as follows:

GOULD'S
Goals Goals
Miss Cheney, Jr., 3 0 0
Miss Moore, Jr., 2 0 0
Miss Kelly, Jr., 0 0 0
Miss Becker, Jr., 0 0 0
Miss Cole, Jr., 0 0 0
Total, 5 0 12
Floor Goal Total
Goals Goals
Miss Cheney, Jr., 0 0 0
Miss Moore, Jr., 0 0 0
Miss Kelly, Jr., 0 0 0
Miss Becker, Jr., 0 0 0
Miss Cole, Jr., 0 0 0
Total, 4 3 11

Next Friday evening our basketball team plays at South Paris.

INSURANCE FOR EVERY FIGHTER

The Treasury Department is making every effort to have every member of America's fighting forces take advantage of the Government Insurance plan, which Secretary McAdoo asserts to be the most just and humane provision ever made by any nation for its soldiers and sailors.

The purpose is rapidly being achieved, the insurance having passed the third billion mark in the total of policies written, and there are many military units in which every member has taken insurance. The automatic insurance provided by the law is only partial and limited protection, payable only to wife, child, or widowed mother and ceases after February 12, 1918. It is important, therefore, not only to the soldiers and sailors of the country but to their families and dependents, that before they date they avail themselves of the full Government protection, which can go as high as \$10,000 and is payable to a wife, husband, child, grandchild, parent, brother, or sister.

The law also provides for the readjustment and rehabilitation of the totally disabled and monthly compensation to those disabled.

FROM THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

In making out his income tax, the farmer is allowed to deduct the compensation paid to the employees but a line is drawn as to the compensation of women employees. If a woman's entire time is employed in taking care of the milk and cream prepared for sale, in the production of butter, cheese, etc., or in a separate table maintained for farm laborers and her services are used entirely in the preparation of the milk and cream for their use, the compensation paid for her is a deductible item. If, however, she is employed in caring for the farmer's household, no deduction can be claimed. Income tax returns must be filed with the collector of internal revenue in the district in which the taxpayer lives on or before March 1.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday services: Morning worship at 10.45 with sermon by the pastor. Sunday School at 12.00. Men's Class at 12.10. Junior League at 3. Epworth League service at 7.00. This will be a union service and will be held in the Men's Class room down stairs. Class meeting at the parsonage, Tuesday evening at 7.30.

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Morning service at 10.45. Subject next Sunday, "The Universalist Interpretation of the Book of Revelation." Sunday School at 12. Evening meeting at 7. Subject, "The World's Need of Universalism, how can we give our Gospel to the World?" The Y. M. U. A. at their regular meeting Monday evening voted to contribute the proceeds of a recent entertainment, \$2.75, to the Red Cross fund. An excellent paper, "Mobilizing the Aethiops," was read by one of the members. One candidate was initiated.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Sunday: Morning worship with sermon at 10.40. Mr. Pollard will sing an aria from Messiah, Sunday School at 12. Christian Endeavor at 7.15 in the evening. This is the thirty-sixth anniversary of the C. E. Society, and Mr. Pollard will give an address. All are cordially invited regardless of age. The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Whitney, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock. The State Boys' Conference is to meet in Portland, Feb. 15, 16, 17. Free entertainment for all registered delegates as usual. Registration fee \$1.00.

JOHN A. TWADDLE, M. D.

Dr. John A. Twaddle died at his home on Church street, Wednesday noon. A more extended notice will be given next week.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

Died in Erol, N. H., Mrs. Eloha Lane, daughter of the late Humphrey and Lydia Holt Bean of Bethel, and wife of the late Sowell Lane of Upton. Her early days were spent in Bethel and several years of wedded life; then moved to Grafton and from there to Upton where she remained till the death of her husband. She leaves three sons and several grandchildren, Fred and Elma of Upton and Ellis of Erol, in whose home she has been tenderly cared for in her declining years. She will be sadly missed by this son and wife and two little girls, who have always had grandma with them. Two brothers, Elmer H. and Alfonso Bean of Bethel, and a sister, Mrs. Frank Huswell of Haverhill, survive her. She was a devoted wife, a loving mother, a kind neighbor and her children rise up and call her blessed. Interment at Upton.

PUT OUT THE LIGHTS

Put out the lights
She will not need them more.
The long dark night has passed away.
The morning breaks, so calm so still;
Put out the lights,
She sleeps, she sweetly sleeps,
And all is well.
Put out the lights
She will not need them more.
The faithful watchers by the bed of pain
Have no more hope or dread of coming night;
Their cares and ministries for her are past.
She sleeps, she sweetly sleeps,
And all is well.

GOVERNMENT SEEDS

Congressman Wallace H. White, Jr., writes that he has received his allotment of Government garden and flower seeds, and will send a package to any resident of the second district who will write him asking for them, as long as his supply lasts.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our thanks to all those who so kindly assisted us in our recent bereavement: Rev. Mr. Little for his words of comfort and sympathy; Franklin Grange and others for floral tributes.

THOSE WHO KNOW

Only those who have been quite low Can all of the sweet of the high things know.
Only those that have been full and Can know the gladness of being glad.
Only those that have seen the light Can know the glory of the life that's bright.
Only those who have stumbled can feel For the workings that all around us kneel.

RED CROSS NOTES

The game party at Maple Inn was quite successful. A number of contributions in addition to the admission fees, brought the total receipts to \$20. It is planned to repeat the party in the near future.

Arrangements for the grand costume ball on the 31st are being completed. The chairman of the committee in charge calls attention to the fact that those who do not wish to wear costumes will be admitted to good seats in the hall on payment of the admission fee of 25 cents, and that they will have the privilege of participating in all the later dances if they wish to purchase dance tickets. But it would be manifestly unfair to those who have taken the trouble to prepare costumes if this temporary restriction were not enforced. It should be pointed out that the committee has given four general dances during the past three months, and that there will be another dance on the evening of the Boy Scout play, Feb. 4.

For the benefit of those who may wish to hire costumes, it may be stated that the Brown Costume Co., 546 1-2 Congress St., Portland, has a large supply in stock, for rental at prices ranging from one to three dollars.

RED CROSS NEEDS NURSES

The most vital necessity of the American Red Cross at the present time is nurses.

Trained nurses are needed for the home cantonnments and the hospitals in France. And it is also important that a reserve organization should be effected at once.

New England is expected to furnish 2,500 trained nurses for Red Cross work.

Nearly all the New England hospitals have enlarged their schools for the training of nurses for war emergencies. The duty of the nurse is as important to the boy at the front as that of the physician and it is one of the highest forms of patriotic service to which the young women of New England can dedicate themselves at this time.

Miss Elizabeth Ross, in charge of the Bureau of Nursing Service, New England Division, American Red Cross, 755 Boylston St., will give all information to those who desire to register.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS OF I. O. O. F.

At the regular meeting of Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 31, I. O. O. F., last Friday evening District Deputy Grand Master Edward J. Sharon, and Grand Marshal John P. Jenkins of Norway, installed the officers for the year 1918 in a very pleasing manner. They were assisted by Grand Warden, L. W. Ramsell; Grand Secretary, E. A. Barker; Grand Treasurer, S. L. French; Grand Chaplain, C. C. Bryant; Grand Herald, R. A. Skilling. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

The following officers were installed: N. G.—Leslie H. Chase.
V. G.—David M. Forbes.
Sec.—David G. Lorejoy.
Treas.—Clarence K. Fox.
Warden—Chester Cummings.
L. G.—Arthur Brink.
O. G.—Roy Good.
Chaplain—Wesley Wheeler.
R. & N. G.—R. L. French.
L. & N. G.—E. A. Barker.
R. & V. G.—E. E. McKee.
R. & V. G.—Earl O. Cummings.
R. & S.—Carl L. Brown.
L. & S.—Harry Sawin.

GERMAN ALIENS MUST REGISTER

The Attorney General for the United States has designated the period from February 1st to 9th, inclusive, for the registration of German alien enemies. German alien enemies residing in municipalities which had a population of 5,000 or over, according to the United States census of 1910, should present themselves to the chief of police or other head of the police department for registration, and those residing in municipalities of less population should present themselves to the postmaster at the office from which they receive their mail.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington

By J. E. Jones

REACHING THE TALKING STAGE
In all serious controversies a period is reached when the parties in disagreement refuse to speak civilly to each other; and where the nations involved spend a long time in shooting and killing before "the talking stage" is reached. Perhaps we have the Russian Bolsheviks to thank for the present condition which has brought forth statements of the aims of the English, German and American governments; expressions of lesser importance from other sources.

It was my good fortune, the other day, to hear the President address Congress, and to make a statement of the peace terms which the United States believes in. Of course, mostly everyone has read the document; but there are features that surround the delivery of it, that are touched of very little in print. Some of the Senators and Representatives have expressed their views, and newspapers have commented editorially. To my mind, the important thing, is the temper, attitude, and hope expressed in the Congress itself.

According to the constitution Congress is the power that must declare war. According to actual fact, it will be remembered, it was the President who declared that "a state of war exists," and after that Congress made its declaration. These two phases of the situation instituted the war formally; and marked the beginning of the close cooperation that has existed between the Executive and Legislative branches of the government. The "shoulder to shoulder" rule has been in operation in a way that is creditable to America and her ideals.

I have never seen the President look more fit than he did when he delivered his speech the other day. At twelve o'clock noon a telephone message came into a Senator's office, where I was attending a committee hearing, saying that the President would address Congress at half past twelve. The President had been on the golf links with Mrs. Wilson until after eleven o'clock, and he broke the news that he was going to Congress after his return to the White House.

There was a rush for the Capitol, and a jam of people attempted to gain admission to the galleries of the House. When the President speaks each Senator and Representative is allowed but one ticket for a guest. This is necessary as the seating capacity is very limited. Armed with a blue ticket I made my way to the gallery, just in time to hear the announcement from the door below: "The President of the United States." Everyone arose and applauded. The President advanced to the desk occupied by the reading clerk of the House and began his speech. He was interrupted repeatedly by applause, and it was most pronounced when he declared that Belgium must be restored, and Alsace-Lorraine returned to France. The suggestion of "free trade" fell with considerable of a dull thud among the Republican members.

The members made it clear that there was no wavering in their attitude toward the war; and while it was plain that they welcomed what they construed as a step towards peace, they detected the firm tone of the Presidential document, and approved heartily. The word "peace" appears to have been made respectable by Lloyd George and President Wilson, at last; and as I watched the President and his official co-workers in Congress I could not help but feel that nearly all of them had the same thought, that it might be possible for the warring nations to get together, and amicably settle the superhuman strife that has been disturbing the world for three years and a half. Mostly all the nations have had all the fighting they want—overlooking at course, what they believe to be the necessities that have made the war. The United States, rich in her ideals, stands for either fighting, or the "talking stage," whichever is best for humanity. Congress is in a receptive mood, and it has made it plain that its members are willing to remain "shoulder to shoulder" with the President in his efforts to put out the flames that are burning up the world.

THE INVESTIGATION

The different Congressional investigations would be sufficient to starve the whole country, in times of peace; but now, with a first-class war on hand, no one pays much attention to the charges and reprimands concerning them.

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Guernsey Bull Calf, registered, five months old.
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A Jersey cow, freshens February 12.
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LOST

On Wednesday morning, Jan. 23, a Gold Wrist Watch between Carver's Store and Paradise Road. Reward if left at.
ROSENBERG'S DRUG STORE,
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Nearly every one knows that on Jan. 1 the price of rubber goods and overshoes was advanced a large percentage and I am giving you a tip which in one way is against my best interest but quite an advantage to you, viz: Buy your light and heavy rubbers in the next few weeks even if you will not need them until next year and save money by so doing.

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12c G. Nutmeg, 10c
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NORWAY

Mr. Hope Melchak Lodge held their annual installation of officers, Friday evening, District Deputy President, Gertrude W. Libby, assisted by grand marshal, Ada A. Libby, grand warden, Eva M. Kibbali, grand secretary, Elsie M. Keene, grand treasurer, Lillian R. Harlett, grand inner guard, Emma Hallison, grand outer guard, Ella Harlett, grand chaplain, Alice H. Danforth, installed officers as follows: Noble Grand, Harlett C. Brown; Vice Grand, Frank H. Hascall; Secretary, Eva M. Kibbali; Treasurer, Hattie A. Sawyer; Warden, Annie F. Whitehouse; Conductors, Della J. McAllister, Chaplain, Laura B. Brown; R. S. N. G., Ada A. Libby; L. S. N. G., Gertrude M. Hascall; R. S. V. G., Alma Harriman; L. S. V. G., Maude Mixer; L. G., Flora Newcomb; O. G., O. G. Julian Brown. The retiring noble grand, Mrs. Maude DeCoster, was presented with a beautiful collar.

The Dr. Prudent Bedard property on Brown street has been sold to the Oxford County Agricultural Association. The field in the rear of the house will be annexed, adding nearly two acres for exhibition purposes.

The Dennis Pike Real Estate and Insurance Agency have negotiated the sale of the Weatherbee estate on Crescent street in Bethel. G. McAllister of Waterford. After making improvements Mr. McAllister will occupy the place the coming spring. It is understood that he has sold his farming interests to his brother, L. E. McAllister.

Mrs. Arthur W. Easton has organized a Polyanthus Club comprised of members of her class at the Congressional Sunday school. The meetings will be held at her home in Highland avenue. The officers are: President, Miss Irma McKeen; vice president, Miss Minnie Hunt; secretary, Mrs. Emma E. Easton; press correspondent, Miss Dorothy Chandler; entertainment committee, the Misses Alice M. Harlett, Dorothy H. Newcomb, Addie H. Long and Elvira Smith.

The ladies of the Universalist Circle met Friday afternoon for their annual meeting, and elected officers as follows: President, Miss Zilpha B. Prince; vice president, Mrs. Elizabeth Hascall; secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Hascall; treasurer, Mrs. Elizabeth Hascall. The treasurer's report shows a balance on hand of \$154.53. The annual December sale cleared \$190.97. The remainder of the afternoon was occupied with sewing.

James from Norway for the February term of court have been drawn as follows: Washell H. Hascall and Edward H. Carter.

Mrs. Charles Reed, Norway Lake, who has been at the C. M. H. hospital for the past two weeks for treatment, is improving.

Past George A. Yeaton went to Monro, Saturday, where he will conduct a three days' school, for the Extension Service of the U. of M. Orono, in Orchard Management, which will include the work from the start to the finish, including pruning, spraying, budding, grafting, cultivation, fertilization, and packing in the box and barrel. Prof. Yeaton will return Thursday to Norway.

George Anderson of the Medical Department at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., who has been in the hospital four weeks with measles and pneumonia, is reported as gaining.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore of Portland are spending the winter during the five days that down at the shoe factory where Mr. Moore is employed, with Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Goodwin, Pike's Hill.

Miss Crystal B. Harriman, who reached at Chino Hot Springs, Montana, and recently underwent serious surgery at the Livingston hospital, for gall stones, writes her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira

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Harriman, Fort street, that she is getting along nicely, and although not able as yet to set up, is full of courage, and is looking for a speedy recovery.

Arthur Tucker of Farmington came Thursday to look after the corn shop at the McWain Packing Co., East Waterford, as the tremendous weight of snow had caused the caving of one roof at the engine house.

Murray Russell went to Portland, Friday, and returned Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Russell, who has been at Dr. King's hospital for treatment. She returns home much improved in health.

Mrs. George Ames has been in Auburn the past two weeks, the guest of her niece, Mrs. Thomas Smith. Her daughter, Miss Clara, is spending several weeks with her cousin, Miss Marion Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Moses P. Stiles of Portland arrived Saturday, Mr. Stiles for the week end, and Mrs. Stiles for a longer stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Jordan.

Leon Elzer of Brookline, Mass., who is taking a post graduate course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is spending his mid winter vacation with his cousin, Mrs. Frank E. DeCoster and family, and is enjoying the winter sports, which are new to him, as he has never had a chance to become acquainted with a Maine winter before.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Peterson and little daughter, Hope, of Wallaston, Mass., arrived in Norway, Friday evening, and are the guests of Mrs. Peterson's mother and brother, Mr. Emma Mann and Maford Mann. Mr. Peterson will return Tuesday, when the five days shut down will be over, and Mrs. Peterson will remain two weeks.

Donald Andrews, who is employed at the Bath ship yards, slipped last Wednesday and injured his ankle. He was taken to the Bath hospital where the X-ray was applied, and the ligaments were found to be torn from the ankle. A plaster cast was applied and he returned home, Saturday.

Miss Annie Schack returned to her duties as a trained nurse at Providence, R. I., Friday, after spending a much needed vacation of several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schack, Pike's Hill.

START WITH EWE LAMBS

Beginners May Well Use Young Stock Which Is Cheaper and Has More Desirable Blood

For inexperienced sheep raisers there are several important advantages in purchasing ewe lambs instead of mature breeding ewes. In the first place, says the United States Department of Agriculture, the ewes of breeding age that are offered for sale are mostly western ewes with a long wool cross, while the ewe lambs coming from the West are black faced lambs, thus showing a cross of some of the Down breeds, which is the kind of blood most farmers wish to have in their flocks. By buying such ewe lambs one gets the advantage of starting with the first cross of the type to be used in grading up a flock to the mature type.

Moreover, good breeding ewes are selling high. Lower prices are unlikely, as the demand is strong and the available supply is small. With probable high prices for mutton and wool in the future the farmer who under stands sheep and will properly care for them from the start has good prospects of success.

Lambs Cost Low While breeding stock is selling high, the ewe lambs can be bought at about 15 a head less than breeding ewes. This is an important point in starting a flock, although until the lambs come to a breeding age no returns from the flock will be forthcoming except the wool clip. However, for the beginner in sheep husbandry, no better plan of obtaining experience could be adopted than in raising for a flock of ewe lambs for a year. The experience gained in wintering ewe lambs and managing the flock throughout the summer season would be invaluable.

Investment in a flock of ewe lambs will give the advantage of the first cross of blood of the Down breeds, lower price, and necessary experience. The wool clip will at least offset the first year's keep and the yearling ewes will be a benefit to wool producers next spring if mutton, frequently and not so much so heavily on to eat the grass into the ground. Those who reason that ewe lambs are more liable to contract Farmers' Bacteria 510, "Farm Sheep Raising for Beginners," which will be sent free on request from the Division of Publications, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

GOLD, FURS AND FISH ARE ALASKA'S ASSETS

Not a Farming or Stock Raising Country and Never Will Be. Black Fox Skin Worth \$2,000. Government Railroad Is a Big Risk. Half of Population Has Left This Year.

M. J. Brown I saw an Indian bring a fox skin in to an N. O. Co. store and get \$600 for it, in trade.

Then I wondered if I hadn't better remain in Alaska and start a fur farm. After the deal I talked with the trader and asked him if it was an every day occurrence for these kind of furs to be brought in, and if it only took ten minutes to strike a bargain.

And he told me a lot about fox furs that I did not know.

He said the Indian had had this skin for about three months and had been to every trader, store or fur buyer within 200 miles, driving a bargain, and had finally come back to him. The skin was that of a jet black fox, very rare in Alaska, or anywhere else.

I asked what price he would get for the skin, and he replied that it was about as big a speculation as gold prospecting; that its price might go to \$5000 or \$2500, or he might be glad to get his \$600 back. He explained that the price of it depended on whether some millionaire's wife had one like it and was hunting for its match, or whether the war income tax bill was so heavy that he wouldn't stand for the buy. "We take a big chance for a big profit," he said. "I will send it outside for tanning and making up and let it try for a sucker. It wasn't on, the chance would be a cinch."

The dead black fox skin is far more valuable than the silver-grey. The silver-grey can be bred with considerable certainty, but the full black fox is a freak, a "patch," an accident of birth. This rare animal is a hybrid, a mongrel, the product of cross-breeding a red and silver fox, but the strange thing is there is no natural control. A breeder may wait for years for a black fox and he may get one in the first litter. But the chances are long in favor of the wait, hence the scarcity of this fur.

And after the dealer had told me all about fox farming, I concluded I would rather take chances on hen-raising in the states—that this black fox business was too much like the job the fellow in Mexico had—picking blessings from a century plant.

I traveled many hundred miles with a government revenue officer, whose business it was to see that every saloon and joint that sold liquor came through with its government license to Uncle Sam. He said he traveled 6000 miles every year in Alaska, but that the territory would soon be dry and then he was going into the fur buying, which he had been doing as a side line for some time, and he gave me these outside market prices on Alaska furs: Silver fox, \$300 to \$1200; black fox, \$1500; red fox, \$18 to \$25; white fox, \$20. Then there are the otter, ermine, martin, wolf; all varieties of beaver, valerians, lynx, beaver, skunk, and so on. Martin are forbidden to be trapped in Alaska, and I believe seals also, except the dog seal. These can be bought for one dollar apiece. The walrus grows to an enormous size in Alaska, as large as the largest ox and often weighs a ton.

What about farming, stock raising and timber, are questions that have often been asked of me, and a New York newspaper sends me the following clipping, said to have been in an article written by Frank Carpenter:

Men go up there to mine, or to follow other more or less adventurous pursuits, and many of them remain to farm or raise stock. In many regions the plow turns up more gold—and more easily—than does the pickaxe. The government railroad is being built not to bring out gold, but coal and copper, and for miles around it there are valleys which have soil and climate that compare favorably with many regions in the United States proper.

The weather records for the past winter show that the temperature averaged milder at the post of Seward than at New York, and it is claimed they pick strawberries in the rich Matanuska valley as early as we do here in Oregon.

If Frank Carpenter wrote the above he must have seen Alaska from a different stand than I did. Let me state that the territory is not a farming country and never will be unless the climate undergoes a great change. Any one knows that a land that stays so cold beneath the surface will never be a worthwhile produce country, and anyone who knows anything about the very short summer season and the great danger of killing frosts, knows that when a profitable crop is raised it is when a 20 to 1 chance comes through.

The reference to Seward has little to do with Alaska. It is on the extreme southern coast. You will note the above clipping states "it is claimed," and I could fill a volume with that kind of story. "It is claimed" of nearly all the towns on the southern Alaskan coast that the snowfall is from 30 feet

up and that it has to rain every day in the summer to melt it off. Yet with this almost constant rainfall there are thousands of acres on which the snowfall gains on the rain, hence the wonderful glaciers—great lakes and rivers of solid ice, slowly moving to the ocean. The lower coast may be some country for turnips, but don't take a chance of going up there for general farming.

If there is stock raising in Alaska I would like to be cited. There is nothing for cows to eat. They would starve on tundra and the stuff reindeer live on. There may be a few cows around the favored section of Fairbanks, but in my 2200 mile trip through the interior of Alaska I never saw a head of stock.

And with the exception of this one favored section, there is NO SOIL in Alaska, and it will be thousands of years yet before there will be a few inches under the tundra the soil ceases. Even trees cannot sprout. Over the millions of acres of Alaska you will see forests grown up to scrub dimensions and dead. On the entire length of the Yukon there is no timber worth while, for when it reaches a certain size it dies for want of root substance.

The famous Alaska spruce you read about is not in Alaska proper, but far down in the panhandle, north of Princes Rupert.

If you want to go into the fishing or fur business, don't look for anything better than the north land, but if you want to take a long chance on farming or stock raising, take Death Valley as a better chance than Alaska, for there you will have the satisfaction of at least keeping warm while you "suck broke."

As to what the government's railroad will do for the coal section of Southern Alaska, it is but a matter of opinion, and my honest opinion—an opinion founded on all the information I could gather from all sources—is that it will never be a paying investment, and that the government took a chance that even the Guggenheims dared not tackle.

Around Fairbanks and Tenana you hear nothing but the glad music. The completion of the railroad is going to bring on a regular old-fashioned Seattle real estate boom. The great coal fields will be developed, thousands of men will be employed, and as a man told me "Tenana will skin Dawson for a grow."

"But what is going to be done with the coal?" I asked.

"Ship it to Seattle and down the Pacific Ocean," was the reply.

"But," I countered, "great deposits of coal lie undeveloped in Washington today because it cannot compete with cheap fire wood, and how are you going to railroad your coal to Seward, boat it to Seattle and railroad it down the coast, and back a competition in Washington and Oregon that state coal deposits can't meet, and how are you going to ship it thousands of miles to California and compete with the cheapest fuel oil in the world?"

After you have poked a few of such questions at the enthusiasts it is well to see if your boat is not about due-time to move along or lose your popularity.

There have been enormous unforeseen expenses in the construction of this road; there have been great washouts and other engineering problems almost new to the builders. In two years they say the road will be completed and ready for service. I may be a cold water thrower, but I wonder how much of the year it will be in service with the enormous snowfall in this part of Alaska, and with the terrible floods in the summer months, my guess is that it will be some job to keep that railroad in operation—even if there is a demand for its operation. However, this is but an opinion, one I may have to renege on.

Alaska today is hitting the chutes. The territory is declining. Half of the population of the country has left this year. In every town, camp and mine I visited the people were leaving or making preparations to go out on the last boats. There was gloom and despondency everywhere.

The reasons I found were three: No new strikes of size or permanency; the excessive cost of living in the mining camps and the stories of high wages and great activity on the outside. This was leading the passenger accommodations of all the last boats.

And yet almost every miner or prospector who was leaving would state that some day he was going back. Almost every last man of them knew where (or about where) there was rich dirt, and some of these days when he had accumulated enough money to "hold him up" for a season, they were all going back and make good.

If these fellows could only cash in on their hopes, if they could develop the wealth of their prospects, Dawson would lose its fame as the great great gold camp on earth.

They all have a "premonition" and a story with it, and these stories—well, they just get you, get into your blood and make you want to chuck the whole world away and get an outfit and head it back into the unexplored Alaskan back into the rugged hills where prospectors and miners don't go, back where you just let go of everything you were ever tangled with, rough it and hunt for the sleeping gold.

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A peculiarity I found in Alaska is that there are almost as many Indian dialects as there are Indian towns, and that one community is almost distinct in talk and customs from the one perhaps 50 miles away. A newspaperman stated the Indians and Eskimos are not wanderers; that in the early days they were forced by necessity to settle in small numbers where the hunting and fishing was good; that they gradually became tribes and in the hundreds of years the language changed into dialects and the original tongue became practically lost.

In this way the wide separation of the Eskimo and Indian is explained. Once they were all Eskimos, and lived along the coast. Then they gradually moved up the Yukon, changed their manner of living and became a distinct family.

Take an Indian or Eskimo, dress him in American clothes and I will give a prize to anyone who can pick him out of a bunch of Japs. Unquestionably they originally came from China or Japan. They have the same yellowish complexion, high cheeked bones and a slight eye slant.

The natives care little for gold or money. They would rather have credit at a trading store than gold in their pockets. They are lazy and without ambition, they catch fish and never wash. For 20 years the influence of the white man has had little effect on them. They are content to exist. There are exceptions in the larger river towns where there are missionaries and schools, and splendid work has been done by these teachers.

BE YOUR BEST AT HOME
Are you seeking to be your best to those nearest to you? If not, you may be quite sure you are missing some of life's purest joy and highest service. How often the teaching of the Christian home is discounted by the want of earnest effort to please and gladden and serve in the family circle. To those nearest to us God has given a stronger claim upon us than any others in the world. We would have children taught to be their best in speech and manner to those at home; to dress at home more carefully than for going into company, etc. The conscience of a child generally responds at once, and heartily, to such regulations; and the benefits secured in the home are immense. If all Christian parents were as careful to be considerate and gracious in speech and deed toward the members of their own households as they are toward some of their acquaintances, who have not a hundredth part of the same claim upon them, many grave evils and dissensions could be averted.—Selected.

FUEL SHORTAGE AND HEALTH
The shortage in the coal supply is not without its advantages, according to the State Department of Health. The saving of fuel which is essential in improving health conditions. That men can keep well with a reduction in the temperature of living room and of the temperature of recent fast food. According to a large number of experiments, the low temperatures, running from fifty to sixty-eight degrees, as compared with these high temperatures so often prevailing in buildings, are beneficial to health. A person staying at least an hour in a warm room develops about a degree of

fever, leading to colds, infections, fatigue, etc. The following statement made by Dr. W. A. Evans of Chicago, has its bearing on the New England fuel situation:

"As to efficiency and a low temperature, several researches have shown that men will do more work and do it more accurately if the temperature of the room or office is reasonably low. Winslow of Yale making this test found that stenographers did 65 per cent more work when the temperature was 68 degrees than when it was 72 degrees. Men doing moderate manual labor did 15 per cent more work at its lower temperature. The New York labor commission on ventilation found that men working at both office and at manual labor, in a temperature of 68 degrees, were good humored, energetic, did good work and were given to less drowsiness than usual. On the other hand when the room temperature was over 72 degrees they were drowsy, lifeless, and with less inclination to work."

"But fresh air is just as necessary as even," says the State Department. "Fresh air must find its way into every office, living room, public building. To save a little extra coal and invite an illness is poor economy."

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THE HOME

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PLAN A CAMPAIGN THE OR

Habits Which Are Planning Are the Character

From the earliest moment unconsciously forming habits repeated two or three times a day or at the same time, the formation of a habit is a large influence, as habits as bad, and if considered fair to any form habits, whether of influence on the part of adults, which will sin broken afterward.

The first thing while to have a clear line of were. And it is here training has such a part in the hidden growth of Comparative few people are trained at all. It is not becomes a little child—once—and traits of habit strong and often in matter of habit format at all. And this, as is very hard, even man the child.

What, then, are the deities the formation of do deserve inculcation? They are three: self-control, of dependence. The more actor, the essential will the individual, the effect that these three the foundation on which structure rests—that three of the most common or woman can possess, then, are: poise, concentration, bearing them in mind grow into years and the little being—who looks to us for guidance seriously for food and development; for obvious velpment that training pace.

Usefulness, for instance, common sense. But that these are easy either to practice; unless they inheritance of a child acquired by constant care, and even so the outside influence can do an environment in which hindrances to their growth and to exercise of influence in the tion. They are virtuous, careful, tender, and, naturally, are of slow growth.

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THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

PLAN A CAMPAIGN TO TRAIN THE CHILD

Habits Which are Formed in the Beginning are the Basis of Future Character

From the earliest moments babies are unconsciously forming habits. Each action repeated two or three times in the same way or at the same time, goes to the formation of a habit. It is within a large latitude, as easy to form good habits as bad, and it can hardly be considered fair to any child to have it form habits, whether from ignorance or indifference on the part of the responsible adult, which will simply have to be broken afterward.

The first thing which is important is to have a clear line of campaign, as it were. And it is here that the physical training has such a pull over that of the hidden growth of the character. Comparatively few people who have charge of babies have any clear conception on the matter of character training at all. It is not until the baby becomes a little child—sometimes a big one—and traits of habits have become strong and often thence, that the matter of habit formation is considered at all. And this, as has been said, is very hard, even manifestly unfair, to the child.

What, then, are the habits which underlie the formation of character and do deserve inculcation from the earliest days? They are three in number, classified as self-control, obedience and independence. The more we study character, the essential will and power of the individual, the clearer becomes the fact that these three qualities are the foundation on which the superstructure rests—that they represent three of the most essential powers a man or woman can possess. These three qualities, then, are points on which we can concentrate from the beginning, bearing them in mind as the months grow into years and the faculties of the little being—who looks as unconscious as a piece of wood for guidance and love—develop; for, obviously, it is with development that training must keep pace.

Unselfishness, for instance; prudence, common sense. But we cannot say that these are easy either to inculcate or to practice unless they are the happy inheritance of a child they are only acquired by constant watchfulness and care, and even so the chief thing that outside influence can do is to provide an environment in which no avoidable hindrances to their acquisition are allowed and to exercise a more or less subtle influence in the desired direction. They are virtues which require careful tending, and, unless implanted naturally, are of slow and sensitive growth.

But with self-control, obedience and independence it is otherwise. They develop with comparative ease, and are, indeed, very largely matters of habit. It is remarkable to find how early in life they can be acquired, much earlier, indeed, than most people realize. It may seem absurd to talk of them in connection with a tiny baby. Yet who has not known of a mile who will not be held down without crying or remain awake contentedly? And what does this mean but that the seed of independence

has not been sown and that a contrary habit is already in course of formation?

ARE YOU GRATEFUL FOR FAVORS SHOWN?

Every one of us owes a debt of gratitude to some one. But do we ever stop to think of it? On the other hand, do we not recall some one to whom we have shown a kindness, and who, instead of demonstrating in any way that we have aided her, passes us by quite indifferently? We resent this indifference, and a feeling of bitterness comes over us. We accuse our friend of treating us unfairly, and assure ourselves that we would not even dream of such ingratitude. Yet we are not always as grateful as we would like to think we are.

There are people who enjoy envied positions today who obtained them through the aid of some good friend, but after a very short time the "good friend" is forgotten. This is especially true if the same good friend meets with sudden reverses, which should be the time of all times when gratitude should be shown her.

I have in mind a young woman occupying a fine position with a firm of national reputation. Ten years ago this girl was working in a local factory. An interested friend taught her the rudiments of stenography. She finished the study at a business college and obtained a position, later going with the firm for which she now works. At the present day she passes the good friend who was instrumental in placing her in the position she now has, with scarcely a word of recognition. In her gratitude too high a word to apply to that young woman's attitude towards her friend? You may say this is an exceptional case, but it isn't.

We are all willing to accept favors, but do we remember them, and do we ever hope a time will come when we can, in some measure, repay the kindness shown us by some good heart? The dog or the horse remembers the stroke of a kindly hand, and dumb creatures that they are, have the power to show their gratitude to us. Could we not learn a golden lesson from them? Unfortunately, position and affluence often turn the heads of many women. In the heyday of their triumphs they probably can get along without any such attribute as gratitude in their make-up, yet regardless of all their power to satisfy and hold others, a selfish woman is really the most pitiable of all human beings. She may own the rarest gems, have the most finished taste in dress, and retain dazzling physical beauty long after others have lost it, but withal, she will be heart-hungry and unhappy.

The best loved and happiest people are always people who show the gratitude they feel toward others, and grateful people as a rule, do not lose their heads by the plaudits of the crowd. Fame dies almost the very day it comes to life. Another, more capable, rises up to sweep the laurels from us, and it will be until the end of time, but gratitude, which is a great virtue, and far greater than fame, will live until time shall be no more.

EAST SUMMER

W. D. Tucker is improving and sits up a while each day.

Easter Eastman has returned to her teaching in Winthrop.

Mrs. Edith Tucker returned from the hospital in Lewiston, Saturday. She is recovering from a serious surgical operation.

A portion of the roof of Fred Palmer's barn fell in caused by the heavy snow. Friends and neighbors helped him repair it.

Clara Knight was a recent guest at W. D. Tucker's.

A wild cat has been seen in this vicinity at mid-day. It is thought to be a Canada lynx.

Mrs. John Sewell has been on an extended visit in Massachusetts.

Mrs. and Mrs. Wilbur Buck were callers in town, Friday.

Charles B. Benzer, one of the oldest residents in town, is in poor health.

Mrs. and Mrs. J. Augustus Herold are with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Tucker, since Mr. Tucker's illness.

Rev. Mr. Davis preached at the Baptist church, Sunday.

Shoveling snow and breaking roads keeps people busy most of the time.

LOOKER'S MILLS

There was a large attendance at the war dance at the hall, Saturday evening. Harold Shaw of South Paris was the featured speaker.

Mrs. Clara King was called to St. Andrews by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph King.

Anna King was home from West Paris the week end.

James Day of Bryant's Pond was in town, recently, on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Martin are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a son, Wednesday.

Belle Chase of Ashburn was a week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Reed.

E. W. Pease of West Paris and John Tins of South Paris were in town on business, Thursday.

Marjorie Farwell and Nellie Stanley visited at their respective homes in Middle Intervale, Sunday.

GAME ENOUGH

Commissioners on the Inland Fisheries and Game File Report

The annual report of the commissioners on inland fisheries and game, which was filed with the governor and council recently, states that a considerable majority of the guides report that moose are more plentiful in the state than last year, or no holding their own as to numbers, while reports from wardens and hunters indicate that there is a gradual but noticeable increase in the more northerly sections of the state where, until recently, moose were reported practically extinct.

Fewer complaints or reports of illegal killing of moose have been made than for many years, says the report, "which seems to indicate that the people are beginning to appreciate the value of these animals as a future game asset, and are now favorably inclined to the law for their protection until such time as their increase will make at least a short open season again advisable."

In the opinion of a majority of licensed guides the supply of deer is either increasing or holding its own, and this opinion is partly borne out by the reports of the number of deer transported during the past season by the railroads. This number being only approximately eight per cent less than last year, while the number of non-resident hunting licenses issued was 35 per cent less than last year.

BIRD LICENSES

A decrease of 49 per cent in the number of bird licenses sold the past year is accounted for by the fact that the last legislature extended the closed season on game birds and mammals from Sept. 15th to Oct. 1st, with the result that those sportsmen who have been coming to Maine for the September shooting and have remained for the early bird shooting were not able to avail themselves of this shooting as formerly, and consequently none of them, except those who wished for the duck and shore bird shooting, took out these licenses. However, Oct. 1st is quite early enough for quail and woodcock shooting to begin in this state.

FISHING

Reports from the state at large indicate that fishing conditions have decidedly improved in most sections during the past few years. This improvement is due, no doubt, to the effect of intelligent and continuous stocking of depleted waters, and also to the fact that for several seasons there has been no long continued drought to dry up the smaller streams which act as nurseries and sources of supply to the larger streams and lakes.

RUFFED GROUSE

The ruffed grouse, America's finest game bird, seems to be gradually working towards extinction and unless Nature's efforts in its behalf are reinforced by further restrictive laws the time will soon come when it will have gone the way of the passenger pigeon and the wild turkey, especially in the older settled sections of the State.

Several very cold and wet winter seasons have been followed by extremely cold and unfavorable winters. Meanwhile the number of hunters has not materially lessened and the grouse's natural enemies, the fox, the owl and the hawk, are apparently upon the increase.

"What measures of relief should be undertaken looking towards the saving of our most valuable game bird is for the interested sportsmen of our State to decide. Certainly no restrictive laws can avail unless the sportsmen favor them and will give their individual support and co-operation to such measures of relief as may seem advisable."

WAR SAVINGS

Thrift Stamps and War Savings Stamps are the most democratic of investments and America expects every citizen to show love of republican institutions by investing in this democratic security. The aggregate amount of the investments and the number of investors in these War Savings securities are in a way the answer of the people of this great democracy to the call of the cause of democracy throughout the world and the vindication of civilization and humanity.

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CANTON

Charles Bartlett of Canton submitted to an operation for appendicitis at the C. M. G. hospital, Lewiston; last week and is getting along nicely. Mrs. Bartlett visited him Saturday.

H. Frank Richardson has been appointed a substitute on the R. F. D. route.

Mrs. Lucy Nason of Livermore Falls has been a guest of her brother, C. F. Oldham, and family.

Mrs. Rosella Bicknell, who has been in Lewiston for the past month, has returned home.

M. B. Packard is visiting his son, Arthur Packard and family of Dixfield, and Mrs. Packard is stopping for the present with her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Potter of Woodford.

Mrs. Rosella Richardson has been spending several days with Mrs. William Lee of Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Russell of Rumford have been guests at the home of C. F. Oldham.

S. Harris Jones is working as mail agent on the train running between Bangor and Vanceboro.

Mrs. F. W. Morse is getting along nicely at a hospital in Boston, where she had an operation.

Mrs. Rosella Sanborn York, one of Canton's oldest and much respected residents, passed away Thursday morning after a long illness at the age of 89 years. Mrs. York was born in Wells, the daughter of David Sanborn and Rosella Stockbridge Sanborn, who were the first settlers of that town. She was one of a family of eight children, and was the last to pass away. Her husband, James H. York, passed away a few years ago. She is survived by three sons, Oliver H. York of Augusta, Ernest York of Gardiner, and Elmer H. York, with whom she has lived the greater part of her life. She is also survived by several grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. York was a member of the Epworth Chapter, G. L. S. John A. Dodge Relief Corps and of Canton Grange, P. O. F. The funeral was held at the home Saturday at 12:30 o'clock. Rev. Charlie M. Price officiating. The floral tributes were very beautiful.

The Ladies Aid met Thursday with Mrs. Clara Merrill of North Hartford and much work was accomplished.

A horse of Edson Bickner's was severely cut recently, while breaking roads.

E. C. Handy and family have moved to West Portland, where Mr. Handy has bought out a store.

The marriage of Tibson Goding York, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. York of Canton, and Miss Marion Katherine Hollis, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin K. Hollis, occurred Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Charlie M. Price, pastor of the United Baptist church officiating. The young couple will make their home with his parents for a time before going to housekeeping.

The installation of the officers of the Canton Grange will take place next Friday evening. The supper will be served before the meeting from 6 to 7:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Nellie Hutchinson and son, Woodbury, are located in Portland for the winter.

Mrs. Alice Towle and son, John, of Dixfield have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas.

Wallace Hines has been visiting his brother, Pearl Hines, at the C. M. G. hospital, Lewiston.

The tannery has shut down for five days as per order of Fuel Administrator at Gardfield.

The Pine Tree Club met Saturday with Miss Margaret Hollis. Roll call was answered by naming some country official and his duties. The "Training for Citizenship" was led by Mrs. Edith Ellis. A paper, "The Country School and the Movement for its betterment," by Miss Margaret Hollis, reading, "Two Historic Islands of the Levant," by W. L. Roberts. Reading, "The Work of the Farmers," by Mrs. Cora B. Fuller. Reading, "Democracy and a Dilemma," by Miss Elva Fuller. "The Ragged Man Observing," by Miss Frances Abbott. The guests of the evening were much enjoyed as usual and the value of the price was a tiny box of sugar. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Cora B. Fuller.

L. B. Smith remains critically ill. Mrs. John Lavoigne has been visiting her husband who is stationed at Fort Preble, Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Bridge are located in Portland for the winter.

At the annual church meeting and roll call of the United Baptist church held Saturday, Caleb E. Mendall was chosen clerk; Mrs. Jeanie Tilley, treasurer; trustees, J. A. Tyler, C. E. Mendall, Mrs. J. P. Tyler; Dept. of Sunday School, Caleb E. Mendall. Rev. George H. Hamlen of Lewiston was present and also accepted the pulpit Sunday and Sunday evening.

The roof of the barn of C. A. Randall of Hartford collapsed with the heavy weight of snow after the recent storm. Mr. Randall had just left the barn when the accident occurred.

The next meeting of the Universalist circle will be held with Mrs. John P. Benney.

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Ask your Postmaster

Inserted through courtesy of Ira C. Jordan.

MARES IN FOAL

They Need Exercise and Good Feed to Keep Them Healthy and to Insure Strong Foals

The mare will be healthier and the foal stronger at birth if she is used at slow, light work nearly every day. All so parturition will be easier. If it is not possible to work a mare, she should in the summer be turned in an open pasture, where she can get exercise, fresh air, and nutritious feed. Her feed should supply the demand for the maintenance of her own body and also for the development of the fetus. The ration, therefore, should contain a little more protein and ash than that demanded by a working gelding. The proportions of these should be increased slightly toward the last of the pregnancy period. If the mare is idle in winter, most of the feed may be roughage, but a heavier ration must be given when work is done. The quantity of feed is determined by the size and condition of the animal, whether thin or fat, sick or well, by the appetite, by the amount of work done, by individuality, condition of the droppings, and whether the animal is easy or hard to keep. The following suggestions for feeding mares in foal are from Farmers' Bulletin 803, "Horse Rearing Suggestions for Farmers," recently issued by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Grains

Oats is the best grain for the horse; it is a light, palatable, and balanced feed. Corn is a good grain, but is used to better advantage if it forms only from one-third to one-half of the grain ration of the brood mare. If wheat is fed, it must be given ground and in small quantities. Barley is a good horse feed; it is more bulky than wheat and nearer like oats than corn in composition. Barley is often cooked and fed once or twice a week in the evening for its medicinal qualities. Bran is an almost essential horse feed. It is a regulator and a preventive of overfeeding. It is bulky and palatable and lightens the ration. Hay and corn are fed by horses and when accessible will serve as a useful addition to the ration.

Successors

Successor feeds are those which are bulky, and are easily assimilated. Such feeds have a cooling, laxative effect on the digestive system and stimulate appetite. The most common successor feeds on farms are grass, carrots, rutabagas, sugar beets, and silage. Grass, although of a succulent nature, is generally used as the entire ration through the summer if the mares are idle. If they are worked, grass usually forms a supplement to the hay and grain.

Roughage

Timothy hay is a popular roughage for horses. Brome grass makes good hay which is equal to timothy hay in feeding value. Orchard grass, if cut in early bloom, is equal to the best of the hay grasses, and carries considerably more crude protein than timothy. Meadow fescue is not so valuable as timothy for horses. Sudan grass hay is a safe feed for mares, and numerous native prairie grasses furnish hay that is equal to timothy. Clover hay is likely to be dusty, but it has great fattening qualities. Millet is not a safe feed for mares in foal. Corn fodder frequently is used to feed idle horses in the winter, but there is not enough nutrition in it alone for mares in foal. The same thing is true in a greater degree of straw. If either is fed, good quality roughage should also be fed. Unimproved roughage of soy-bean hay is also a valuable roughage which is relished by horses. Even the threeshed hay contains considerable nutrition. It should not be fed to brood mares if it contains any mold. Alfalfa hay makes an excellent feed for mares if it is fed once a day and timothy or corn fodder given at the other feeding. Occasionally alfalfa hay is not properly cured, causing it to mold badly, in which case it should not be fed to the horses. Farmers have reported occasionally that alfalfa causes the kidneys to act too freely, but it is likely that this trouble will not be noticed if the alfalfa does not make up over one-half of the roughage.

HUSBAND SAVES WIFE

From Suffering by Getting Her Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—"For many months I was not able to do my work owing to a weakness, which caused backache and headache. A friend called my attention to one of your newspaper advertisements and immediately my husband bought three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for me. After taking two bottles I felt fine and my troubles caused by that weakness were a thing of the past. All women who suffer as I did should try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."

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Women who suffer from any form of weakness, as indicated by displacements, backache, headache, nervousness or "the blues," should accept Mrs. Rossano's suggestion and give Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a thorough trial.

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Brown, Buck & Co.'s RED : TAG : SALE!

Sale prices this year mean big savings over and above the ordinary sale prices for everything in cotton or woolen goods will be much higher six months from now.

This Red Tag Sale is a general house cleaning all over the store—all odd lots, odd sizes, odd colors or slow sellers in any line, remnants of all kinds—all must go regardless of price.

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and you have a long winter yet to wear them.
COATS. Some of the best models of the year in Brown, Navy, Green, Mixtures. Some with fur collars, nearly all have belt.
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QUILTED SILK JACKETS to wear under your suit or coat, long sleeves. Black and Silk. Regular \$2.50, Red Tag Sale \$1.75.

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\$1.95 Quality, Sale Price \$1.35
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Beautiful Patterns, snow white, many are hemstitched all the way around.
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BIRDSEYE DIAPER COTTON, best quality, 10 yd. piece for \$1.00 during sale.

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Our entire line put in at Red Tag Prices.
Regular \$4.95 Muffs, Red Tag Price \$3.95
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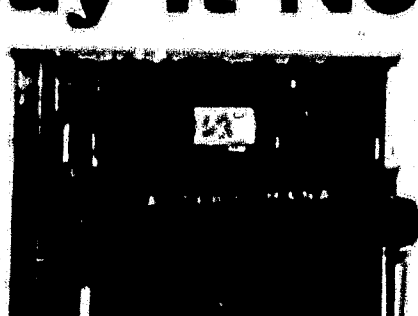
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WEST BETHEL

A number of the men in this place are at work cutting wood. R. A. Gillett, E. H. Mason, Paul Head are cutting wood for Harry King. Archie Hutchinson, Harry Kessell are cutting for Hugh Thurston. J. D. Uhlman and Guy Cress are cutting pine for Fred Tyler to be sawed into box boards at Howard Thurston's mill at Bethel.
There will be a variety shower for Miss Mabel Serber at the home of Mrs. W. W. Goodridge, Wednesday evening.

ALBANY

The Circle will meet at the vestry, Friday evening, Jan. 25. It may be well to add if "weather permits."
Fred Serber is yarding pulp to Hunt's Corner for Leon Kimball.
Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bean were guests at Abel Andrews', Saturday afternoon and evening.
Mrs. Arthur Andrews and her brother, Perley Grever, visited their parents, Sumner Grever and family, Sunday.
Perent and Arthur Churchhill are cutting wood for Matland Bird.
Mr. and Mrs. Abel Andrews were recent callers at Isaac Flint's. Mrs. Flint who has been an invalid for a long time has been about as usual this winter.

Miss Maylie Adams of Stoughton is visiting friends in town.
A School Improvement League to be known as the Round Mountain League was recently organized at the Hunt's Corner school. Besides the eleven pupils, fourteen outside members have at ready hand and are keeping many others will become interested in helping us make the League a success in improving our schoolhouse and surroundings and getting some needed supplies for our schoolroom. The officers elected are:

President—Chester McNally.
Vice Pres.—Jack McNally.
Secretary—Alta Cummings.
Treasurer—Ida McNally.
Executive Committee—Chester McNally, Edith Andrews, Nellie McNally.

Special Committee—Edna Bean, Helen Andrews.
Through the kindness of Washington friends a library of twelve volumes has been given the school. They are: The Last of the Mohicans, Cooper; Robinson Crusoe, Stephenson; Child's Garden of Verses, Dickson; Christmas Stories, Helen's Babies, Harborton; Heidi, Spyll; Fairy Tales, Anderson; Fairy Tales, Orman; Alice in Wonderland, Carroll; Hans Brinker, Dodge; The Hoosier Schoolboy, Eggleston; English History, Dickens.

Deferred

We are sorry to hear that A. D. Cole is so poorly. He is in the hospital at the Soldiers' Home at Togus, where he is having the best of care. His grandson, Archie Bass, has been to see him recently. He also came to see his uncle, Tyler Cole, who is staying with Harry McNally's family on the Cole farm.

Perley Grever of Watford is hauling pulp for Fred Littlefield from the Cole lot. He is boarding with Arthur Andrews.

Arthur Andrews is hauling his hay from the Hutchinson farm to his home at Hunt's Corner.
Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bean were guests of Miss Anna Cummings, Monday, at being Mrs. Bean's birthday.
Mr. Leighton dressed a nice hog for H. I. Bean and one for A. G. Bean, Tuesday.

Harry McNally, who is working in the shoe shop at Norway, spent the week end at home.
Archie Bass has gone to Portland, where he has employment.
Everyone is anxious to get their pulp and wood hauled, but we are having so many heavy snow storms that it makes the travelling so hard that it is almost impossible to take any kind of a load.

BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler were in Lewiston, Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Wight and daughter, Vivian, were in Portland, Friday.

Mr. Charles Herriek of Norway was a business visitor in town, Monday.

Mr. W. J. Wheeler of South Paris was a business visitor in town, Tuesday.

"Aunt" Dolly Tyler, who is sick at the home of her son, F. J. Tyler, is gaining.

Mrs. Albert Burke is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Atkins, at South Paris.

Mrs. Harriet Green and Mr. Fred Poole of Boston are guests of Mr. Harry King and family.

Mr. W. H. Young left the first of the week for a business trip through Aroostook County.

Judge A. E. Herriek, who has been confined to his house by sickness for the past week, is gaining slowly.

Mrs. Evander Whitman was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Andrews, at Norway last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Frost of the Glen at Gorham, N. H., were guests of Mrs. Frost's sister, Mrs. Alma Mitchell, last week.

Miss Angie Chapman has closed her house and gone to Portland to spend the remainder of the winter with her sister, Mrs. P. L. Watts.

Mrs. Mabel Kennon of Saco, a speaker of the Open Forum, will speak before the Men's Club this Wednesday evening on "What Women Are Doing in the War."

Practically three full pages of religious news and views are published every week in the Boston Saturday Transcript. They are non-sectarian and non-controversial but are up-to-date and teeming with vitality and spirituality. Just now they contain an around the world series of letters from William L. Ellis, L. L. D., on religious conditions in the countries at war.
The Saturday Night Thoughts, a heart-to-heart religious talk on vital topics, alone is worth the price of the whole paper.

Advertisement.

WEST PERU

Mrs. Elmer Farrar is very sick with the measles.

Mrs. B. C. Putnam is very sick with pneumonia.

J. C. Wyman is spending a few days with G. B. Gordon and family at the village.

Wardwell and Bryant have five teams hauling birch and long lumber at the steam mill near J. C. Wyman's in Dickvale.

Mrs. Viola Child is in poor health, and is with her son, E. G. Child.

Friends are sorry to learn of the serious illness of Mrs. Emma Child at the home of her daughter in Dixfield.

George H. Bryant, aged about 50 years, died at the Central Maine General Hospital of pneumonia, Jan. 10th. He formerly resided in this village, and was the son of the late Byron V. Bryant. He is survived by a mother, Mrs. George P. Waterhouse, two sisters, Minnie A. Jordan of this village, and Mrs. Rose Ryerson of South Paris, also six children. The funeral was held at South Paris, Friday, attended by Rev. Dwight F. Faulkner.

Franklin Grange will entertain Oxford Pomona on February 5th.

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GROCERIES

RUMFORD

Mrs. E. O. Jordan has duties with the E. K. Da George Chamberlain and were buried out of their side avenue a few weeks ago. The theatre on Waldo street, in the navy, and left for middle of the week.

The Rumford Falls Power have a force of about 15 wood for their own use, and the work at the head of the supplying over 100 men in with their fuel at cost.

On Friday evening of Mexico High school will play High at basketball at the balance of the season's Feb. 1, Westbrook High at Feb. 8, Portland High at Feb. 15, open; Feb. 22, Ed Auburn, at Rumford; March 2, Westbrook High School; March 3, open; March High School at Rumford.

Miss Eva Marcoux, clerk Fred Martin on Waldo at joying a two weeks' vacation relatives in Lewiston.

A Rumford and Mexico Needlework Guild of a been formed in town with officers: President, Mrs. Joy; vice president, Mrs. Harris; secretary, Mrs. Ch. treasurer, Mrs. B. W. G. rectors, Mesdames Edmund O. Eaton, O. J. Gonyea, Wald Fred J. Latham, and Marv. Each director and officer has 10 garment members and member, and the object of it to provide new and suitable for the poor and sick. The secretary, and there are fees to be paid, and every for the benefit of those needy at home. Anyone can become member by giving two a year.

There will be a whist party at the School Hall on Jan. 25 for the benefit of the

The Rumford Driving Club formed for the purpose of sports and creating an interest in driving fast horses. Rumford has more than 10 many years. At present the has twenty members, and track scraped on the river gina at considerable expense is intended to hold a contest horses of the town, and horse joining towns. The officers are: Dr. J. A. Thibodeau; dent, Joseph Belanger; secretary, Dr. M. J. Brooks; treasurer, Dr. M. J. Brooks; meets are held which have considerable enthusiasm, and it ed that some lively contest pulled off in the near future.

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RUMFORD

Mrs. E. O. Jordan has completed her duties with the E. K. Day Company. George Chamberlain and family, who were buried out of their home on Hillside avenue a few weeks ago, have engaged rooms in a rent over the Majestic Theatre on Waldo street.

Mr. James Young, Jr., has enlisted in the navy and left for service the middle of the week.

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Miss Eva Marcoux, clerk for Mrs. Fred Martin on Waldo street, is enjoying a two weeks' vacation with relatives in Lewiston.

A Rumford and Mexico branch of the Needlework Guild of America has been formed in town with the following officers: President, Mrs. E. L. Lovejoy; vice president, Mrs. James W. Harris; secretary, Mrs. Charles Howe; treasurer, Mrs. B. W. Goodwin; all members, Mesdames Edmund Bowers, O. Eaton, O. J. Gonyea, Walter Howard, Fred J. Latham, and Martin L. Griffin.

Each director and officer has under her 10 garment members and one money member, and the object of the Guild is to provide new and suitable garments for the poor and sick.

The Guild is now active, and there are no dues or fees to be paid, and everything goes for the benefit of those needing it right at home. Anyone can become a garment member by giving two garments a year.

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Boxes containing the following articles have just been sent out from the Red Cross headquarters at Rumford: 70 triangular, 70 abdominal, 14 T, 33 head, 26 slinch Canine flannel, 28 slinch muslin, 74 slinch muslin, 104 slinch, 104 slinch, and 1 knitted bandages; several old pieces of linen; 12 convalescent robes (heavy), 6 convalescent robes (light), 12 pairs pajamas, 1 dozen nightgowns, 1 dozen pillow slips, 42 pairs socks, 21 sweaters, 6 scarfs, 4 helmets, 4 pairs wristers.

As a result of the heavy body of snow on the roofs of buildings, several have broken down. The roof of one

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of A. Gauthier & Son's store houses in the railroad yard went down, damaging the contents consisting of flour in bags, and other products, to considerable extent.

Mr. H. S. Pashard, who has been head druggist in the Fernald drug store for the past two years, has resigned his position. Mr. Pashard came to Rumford from Bethel.

Roadmaster C. S. Osgood, who has been struggling with insufficient labor to keep the railroad yards and tracks open during the period of storms and winds, found some good coming out of the closing down of the manufacturing plants, as he was able to get men to shovel snow in clearing tracks and switches. Work trains and snow ploughs were running on Sunday, hauling snow from the yard tracks.

The regular meeting of the Cosmopolitan Club was held at Hotel Rumford Monday evening. The subject of the paper of the evening was "The German System."

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February 12th, Lincoln's birthday and Mardi Gras, will be celebrated in Rumford in great style. The local Red Cross will give a masquerade Mardi Gras ball in Municipal Hall. Elaborate cash prizes are to be offered to the four best costumed persons. The Ma Ma Bo Orchestra will furnish music, and many Mardi Gras features will be on the card for this event. Plans are being made to have a special costumed person come here from Boston and furnish those who desire with costumes at a very low rate.

John McCarthy, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Edward McCarthy of Prospect avenue, is ill with pneumonia.

Miss Marion McCarthy is visiting relatives in Lewiston.

Miss Vera Rodgerson is clerking in Levin, Senter and Company's store.

Mr. Albert Bean of Mexico, who has been ill for some time, is much improved, and is stopping at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Berry of Urquhart street, for the remainder of the winter.

The ceiling and roof of the Baptist church are being repaired.

Miss Margaret Valaska is working in the store of the C. M. McKendie Co.

Miss Sophie Donald has finished work in the C. H. McKendie store and has accepted a position in a grocery store on Waldo street.

Charles Beaulieu is working for the Cummings Construction Company.

Twenty-five men from Bangor have arrived in town to work for the Cummings Construction Company.

Bernard Jacobs of Berlin, N. H., is a guest of Philip Marx of Franklin street.

Miss Isabel Isaacson of Livermore Falls is visiting her uncle, Mr. Morris Marx.

While at work in the machine shop of the International mill, some steel filings fell into one of Arthur Stone's eyes. It is feared he will lose the sight of the eye.

Edward McGonigle has been transferred from the local purchasing office of the Oxford Paper Company to the New York office. Mr. Ray Harris succeeds him at the mill.

Carlton and Charlie, sons of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Clifford of Portland, formerly of Rumford and Mexico, have enlisted in the aviation corps, and have gone to Fort Slocum, N. Y.

The engagement of Miss Eleanor Tribou of Auburn to Carl W. Marston of Lawrence, Mass., has been announced by Miss Tribou's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tribou of Auburn, formerly of Rumford.

R. E. Goulette has completed his duties as manager of Day's Basement store, and has returned to his home in Bangor.

As a result of the order from the government's Fuel Administrator closing down industries, the great plant of the Oxford Mill Co. has been silent for the past five days, excepting for work of clearing up and making necessary repairs. This mill, which on normal days consumes some 350 tons of bituminous coal during a 24 hour period, will save something like 200 tons per day, requiring about 60 tons to keep the plant warm, pipes from freezing, etc. Many hundreds of men have been idle for the period prescribed by Dr. Garfield. Wood and oil supplies for this mill will be coming along continuously, employment being furnished to a good many men in unloading. The International Paper Co. mills, while they were not affected by the fuel order as yet, have been ordered to shut for a half day only. The Rumford Magnesium Co., being producers of materials necessary for war purposes, was not affected by the closing order. The holiday of Monday was generally observed in Rumford.

Miss Lena Felt and brother, Archie, have been at Bryant's Pond to see their mother, Mrs. Emily J. Felt, who is quite seriously ill at her home. Mrs. Felt took a sudden cold, which has developed into near pneumonia, but is slightly better at this writing. Miss Hazel Taffee substitutes for Miss Felt as stenographer in the office of Asst. Superintendent Levey during her absence.

Mexico Lodge, No. 434, held its installation last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Whitney. The Deputy, Mrs. Mary G. Haskell of Livermore Falls, installed the officers. A baked fish supper was served at 7 o'clock. Officers installed were as follows:—War, Anna I. Kelley; V. W., Frank G. Whitney; Sec., Lena M. Felt; Fin. Sec., Wm. H. H. Taylor; Treas., Winnie O. Whitney; Chap., Byron A. Evans; Usher, Annie S. Wood; Guard, Bertha A. Smith; Sent., Chas. A. Brown; Trustee, John L. Howard; J. P., W. Wm. R. Kelley.

Tuesday evening, Jan. 22, is the assembly room of the Rumford High school, W. L. Powers, principal of the Machias Normal school, will give a lecture on "Our Common Birds and How to Know Them." Mr. Powers has made a life study of this subject. He has been secured for Rumford by Principal Leon G. Paine, the fact that he is to lecture at the Academy on the evening previous, making this possible. The proceeds above the expense will

FEEDING DUCKS

Ducks may be fed on the rations recommended for fowls and chickens, but better results are usually secured by feeding more green and vegetable feeds and a larger proportion of mash. Eggs from Pekin ducks are used largely for hatching, and the profit is secured in producing green ducklings (ducks fattened and marketed at the age of 8 to 12 weeks); therefore these ducks are fed a maintenance ration until they stop laying in the summer until about December 1, when a laying ration is given and the amount of mash increased. Laiden Runner ducks have been introduced as producers of commercial eggs, so they should be fed laying rations throughout the year if kept for egg production.

Worms—A Danger to Children

No gain in a child's health and strength is possible until all worms are removed. Signs of worms are: Drowsed stomach, swollen upper lip, sour stomach, offensive breath, hard and full belly with occasional griping and pains about the navel, pale face of leaden tint, itching of the nose, itching of the rectum, short dry cough, grinding of the teeth, little red points sticking out on tongue, starting during sleep, slow fever. If you see any of these symptoms in your child don't lose another minute, but get a bottle of Dr. True's Elixir, the Family Laxative and Worm Expeller.

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go to the senior class. The Rumford High School Debating Club has been organized this year with Abbott Nile, president, and Stanley Peterson secretary and treasurer. The selecting of the team to take part in the interscholastic debate will be done on Monday, Jan. 25. The subject for the debate this year is "Resolved, That the States should employ a system of compulsory industrial insurance, constitutionally conceded." Twenty men are in training for the school team. Principal Paine is this year trying to make debating and the classes in debating a part of the regular school work, instead of holding evening meetings for this, a thing which has not been feasible heretofore because of insufficient force of teachers.

The officers of Oxallie Temple, No. 88, P. S., were installed by Past Chief Flora M. Kidder, last week: P. C., Gertrude M. Gleason; M. E. C., Mabel R. Small; E. S., Jane Lapham; E. J., Bertha Allen; Man., Harriet Walker; M. of R. & C., Lena M. Felt; M. of P., Grace E. Sweet; Prot., Nettie F. Kerr; Guard, Edna Longfellow. Mrs. Mabel Small was presented with a Past Chief's Attachment by Mrs. Gleason. Handkerchiefs, doughnuts, cheese and coffee were served after the meeting.

At a mass meeting Friday afternoon at the Red Cross rooms, the Rumford Auxiliary to the Red Cross was organized into a chapter, the organizing officer being Lewis E. Smith, Jr., of Boston. Hon. Waldo Pettengill is president of the chapter, and Miss Martha Mixer, secretary, and Mrs. R. E. Swain, treasurer. There is a board of 15 directors. Several auxiliaries which will work under Rumford are: Mexico, Fern, Rumford Centre and Rumford Point.

In the sale of thrift stamps in the local schools, the movement having been explained and encouraged by the principals of the various grade buildings, the Pettengill building ranks first in date, with nearly \$55 worth of stamps sold. Master James Morse and Misses Coggin and Conley, teachers, have each purchased a full book of stamps. The Virginia school is second, with about \$35 worth sold, while the Hiram school is third. Several pupils in each building are proud possessors of Liberty Loan Bonds, and the pupils all feel that they are doing their bit, as the girls in the higher grades are working pajamas for the soldiers in the domestic science course, while in the lower grades the girls are knitting.

Warsted squares to be joined into all phases for the soldiers, and even in the third grade, the little tots are learning to knit.

In the drive conducted in Rumford to win the town's share in the Knights of Columbus three million dollar war bond, about \$700 was raised.

In the old armory hall on Tuesday evening a masquerade ball was held under the management of George Bailey with music by the Ma Ma Bo Trio.

WEST PARIS

The funeral services of Mrs. Francis Emmons of Portland were held at the Methodist church, Friday afternoon at one o'clock. Rev. L. W. Grundy officiated. Onward Rebekah Lodge, of which the deceased was a member, attended and performed their burial service. Mrs. Emmons was the widow of Jernel F. Emmons, who died on Jan. 15, 1914. A daughter, Miss Bertha Emmons of Portland, survives of this union. Mrs. Emmons was twice married. Her first husband was Mr. Hayes of Norway. A daughter, Alice, who died in childhood, and a son, Austin J. Hayes who died a few years ago, were the children of this marriage. A grandson, Earl S. Hayes, survives, and has always lived in the Emmons home since the death of his mother when he was about a year old. For nearly thirty years the Emmons family were residents of West Paris, and Mr. Emmons ran a general merchandise store in the building now occupied by George Devine. After retiring from business he sold the business and building and moved into the Whittemore house next door which he also owned. After Mr. Emmons' death Mrs. Emmons and grandson, Karl Hayes, moved to Portland that Karl might have a better opportunity to continue his education, and also that the daughter, Bertha, who had a position in a large store, might be with them in the home. They still kept some rooms in the home here, and Mrs. Emmons came for a vacation every summer. Last fall before she returned they sold the residence to Dr. Staples. Mrs. Emmons was an attendant of the Methodist church, a member of Oarward Rebekah Lodge and the W. C. T. U. She was a woman of pleasing personality, kind and obliging, and possessed of many splendid qualities. Many beautiful flowers bespoke the high esteem in which she was held. The burial was in the family lot in West Paris cemetery.

The remains of Fred E. Reed, who committed suicide at Elmer B. Davis' in Woodstock, Wednesday, were brought here Friday and placed in the receiving tomb. Mr. Reed had worked for Mr. Davis for about ten years, and was a man of good principles and very reliable. No cause is assigned for the act except depression. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Willard Cobb, of Peru.

Rev. H. A. Markley was unable to preach at the Universalist church last Sunday morning. It is expected that he will be able to preach next Sunday A. M., and a patriotic service will be held. If there should be no church service next Sunday the bell will ring at 9 o'clock Sunday morning.

The remains of Charles Dean of Waterville, Conn., were brought here Monday for burial. Mr. Dean lived in this vicinity for many years and was employed in carpenter work by many. He was an industrious and respected citizen. He married Belle Swan, who survives, also a son, Lemuel of Portland and daughter, Grace, of Connecticut. Two sons, Charles, Jr., and Oliver Green, have died in the past few years.

Mrs. Winfield Starbird and Mrs. Chas. Edwards were in town Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Emmons.

Nettie Swan, who has worked at I. M. Mann's, has finished work and gone to Greenwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Lendall Yates were at Greenwood last week to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Mrs. Hannah Emmons.

Herman Emmons recently visited his sister, Mrs. Lendall Yates. He had a leave of absence from the flag ship Pennsylvania.

A pair of horses driven by Lendall Yates, one of them belonging to E. D. Curtis and the other to Gerald Swift, broke through the ice about a half mile above the village and came near being drowned. After some difficulty both were got out.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Deham of Philadelphia, who have been guests of her mother, Mrs. Eliza Emery, have returned home.

Herbert Gardner was instantly killed by falling from a freight train on which he was braking Saturday night at Perry, N. H. He was the son of W. W. Gardner, station agent here. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gardner, and a brother, Edith and Ethelyn, and a brother George. He was a member of the graduating class of West Paris High school, '15, and left school recently and went on braking two or three weeks ago. He was a good scholar, clean and good in sports and a general favorite. His death has cast a gloom over the village, as he was a young man of good habits, courteous and pleasant to everyone, and liked by all. The sincere sympathy of all goes out to the stricken family. He was born Sept. 26, 1893.

The Red Cross have sent the following articles to headquarters:—250 cotton pillows, 204 pairs service socks, 235 slings, 170 T bandages, 210 handkerchiefs, 309 substitute handkerchiefs, 174 eye bandages, 24 nurses mitts, 43 slings, 178 napkins, 30 fracture pillows, 410 sock pads, 135 abdominal bandages, 109 triangular bandages, 43 pairs wristers with thumb hole, 13 helmetts, 27 sweaters, 20 pair pajamas, 13 wash cloths, 140 sponges, 48 splints, 100 compresses, 73 Xmas bags, 16 Xmas

ANDOVER

Clarence Newton has been drawn to serve on the traverse jury at the spring term of the Supreme Judicial Court at South Paris which convenes Tuesday, Feb. 12.

Lone Mountain Grange met at regular session Saturday with worthy Master James B. Littlehale in the chair. After recess for dinner the installation of officers was in order. Mr. John L. Bailey assisted by Mrs. Bailey installed the officers in an impressive manner. The new officers are:—

W. M.—Mrs. George Learned, who was unable to be present. Lecturer—Mrs. Evelyn Stevens. Steward—Mrs. Carrie Morton. Chaplain—J. H. Abbott. Treasurer—W. W. Perkins. Secretary—Mrs. H. M. Thomas. Gate Keeper—J. R. Hall. Ceres—Ellen Akers. Pomona—Frida Gordon.

L. A. Steward—Viola Searle. A short program was enjoyed. Grace Mitchell acted as pianist.

A meeting of the Oxford North Agricultural Society was held Saturday evening at the home of the treasurer, Matthias Mooney.

Frank Akers remains quite ill. Dorothy Parsons and baby visited her parents, Luelen Akers and wife, a few days last week.

Ira Clark, who has been working in the wool mill, has returned to his home in Gorham, Me.

The Ladies' Aid met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. J. N. Atwood. Henry Roberts has been quite ill with the measles.

Alvin Averill and son, Linwood, have gone to Anisecus Dam to work in the woods for Ray Thurston.

Mrs. Harry Merrill, who has been very ill, is gaining slowly. Frida Gordon, who teaches school at East Andover, is boarding at M. A. Howard's.

David Richards of South Andover received word Saturday that his son, Alton, who is in the heavy field artillery at Camp Meade, Md., is critically ill. Mrs. George Learned is ill.

Four of the Pines, who have been cutting birch for Y. A. Thurston, left town Friday for their home in Harrison, Me.

Ralph Thurston attended the funeral of his brother, Albert Thurston, at Errol, Saturday. Mr. Thurston, who died very suddenly Wednesday of last week, was well known in town. He leaves a wife, two daughters and a son, besides several brothers and sisters.

Cabot Lodge, K. of P., held its installation of officers Friday evening. The officers were installed by D. D. G. C. George Learned, in an impressive manner. The officers are: C. C.—Wallie Marston. V. C.—Roy Lohues. Prelate—Dana Noble. M. at A.—George Grover. M. of W.—Bert Feenor. K. of R. & S.—H. M. Thomas. M. of F.—C. T. Poor. M. of E.—Frank Newton. I. G.—Lewis Morton. O. G.—Charles Morgan.

After the installation refreshments were served and dancing was enjoyed. The young people met in their hall Thursday evening for whist. The first prizes were won by Walter Jackson and wife, and the second by James Newton and Rena Bodwell. Refreshments of sandwiches and coffee were served.

Word has been received of the safe arrival of Mrs. F. E. Leslie at Middlebury, where the doctor is stationed.

Clarence Bailey, who works for Leo Thurston at Black Brook, spent Sunday at his home.

The school at South Andover has been closed and Tibbets' boarding house quarantined for scarlet fever. A little girl there is quite sick with the fever.

Mrs. Grace Roberts has been very ill with the measles. Ethel Webber, who teaches at No. 4, is boarding with Mrs. Claude Marston.

Mrs. Abbie Poor is visiting her sister, Mrs. Mary Fox, at Danchester, Mass.

The Knights of King Arthur had moving pictures in the town hall, Saturday evening.

William Gregg is hauling birch from his wood lot at No. 4 to the wool mill. A box has been sent by the Red Cross Auxiliary to headquarters in Boston containing: half dozen convalescent gowns, 1 dozen sets pajamas, 12 dozen hospital shirts, 17 packages 3 each abdominal bandages, 7 packages 5 each T bandages, 17 sweaters, 12 scarfs, 20 pairs wristers, 18 pairs socks, 2 helmets, 1 dozen nurses mitts. More hatted articles will be sent in as soon as finished.

John Hickey made a trip this week to the Nelson's Stock Farm, Colebrook, N. H.

There is nothing else for us to do in this world but resign ourselves to circumstances. But the nobler natures know how to give resignation the name of content.—Anatole France.

Large sent to here in service from this vicinity, 10 comfort bags sent to West Paris by Co. D of Norway.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert Clend have gone to West Springs for the benefit of Mrs. Clend's health. Two weeks ago Mr. Clend was obliged to give up work at the Oxford mill on account of ill health.

POEMS WORTH READING

THE HOUR OF PEACE

There shall come an hour of peace,
Heat and dream and song,
Thunder of the toll shall cease,
Joy around us throng.
There shall come an hour of peace,
When, at battle's height,
Leave in rain of white fleece
Lifts her signal light.

There shall come an hour when we
Who have toiled our turn
Shall behold the asphodel sea
And the shores where burn
Beacons of the twilight sweet
Leading, leading on
To the dreams of dancing feet
In the fields of dawn.

TRUSTING IN HIS LOVE

By M. O. Wilson
Darkest days and clouds of sorrow
Will admit a ray of light;
Then be wary, seize the brightness,
For its loss is shades of night.

If affliction had grasped thee,
And thy lot is hard to bear,
Count the blessings God has given thee
In his love thou hast a share.

One who knows our frame so feeble,
And remembers we are dust,
Ever will be our strength, in weakness,
If his love we fully trust.

Through no suffer pain and anguish,
Which invade this house of clay,
Ever hoping, ever trusting,
Night may vanish into day.

If the joys of earth are faded,
And the life across time and chill,
Seek his love and trust his mercy,
In joy or sorrow, good or ill.

Jesus will unfold his glory,
Show the way and sweet rest;
Entrance to his heavenly mansion,
There to dwell among the blest.

MOTHERLIKE
Just a mother with sweet, pious face,
Yearns toward her little children from
her seat,
Gives one a kiss, another an embrace,
Takes this upon her knees, that on
her feet;

And while her actions, looks, com-
plaints, preferences,
She leaves their feelings and their
various wills,
To this a look, to that a word dispen-
ses.

And whether stern or smiling, loves
them still—
No Providence for us, high, infinite,
Makes our necessities its watchful
task,
Hearkens to all our prayers, helps all
our wants,
And ever if it deems what seems our
right,
Takes from us because 'twould have us
ask
Or makes us to pray, and in praying
grants.

ARE YOU SURE?
Hannah Leroy Chapman, in Springfield
Times
Are you sure you made her happy?
That the pleasant smile she wears
Means a heart that's longing
For relief from household cares?

Are you sure her strength is equal
To the tasks that she must do
That the never needs assistance
Or encouragement from you?

Are you sure she doesn't miss it—
The old love light in your eyes
The tender words once spoken
In the days, long, long gone by?

Are you sure you understand her,
When you're absent from her side?
Ah! the heart is crying always
For companionship denied.

Are you sure you understand her,
Or appreciate her worth?
Must you wait to be awakened,
When no longer she's on earth?

A LOST CHORD
A. A. Foster
Scattered was day at the organ,
I was weary and ill at ease,
And my fingers wandered idly
Over the many keys.

I do not know what I was playing,
Or what I was dreaming then;
But I struck one chord of mine,
Like the sound of a great Amen.

It flooded the crimson twilight,
Like the close of an Angel's Psalm,
And it lay on my fevered spirit
With a touch of infinite calm.

It quieted pain and sorrow,
Like love overcoming strife;
It seemed the harmonious echo
From our discordant life.

It linked all perplexed meanings
Into one perfect peace,
And trembled away into silence
As if it were loth to cease.

I have sought, but I seek it vainly
That one lost chord divine,
Which came from the soul of the organ,
And entered into mine.

It may be that Death's bright angel
Will speak in that chord again
It may be that only in heaven
I shall hear that grand Amen.

LIGHT ON THE WAY
By Polger McKinley
Lady, be happy, there's light on the
way,
In spite of the skies that are clouded
and gray.
Love stars the heavens of life as we go,
And promise of summer is under the
snow,
Faith lifts the burden, no matter how
long,
The road of the toiler to reach the
bright song.

Lady, be happy, the storm cannot last,
The skies shall be clearing, the dim-
ness is done,
And the cares and the sorrows have
been with the past,
And over the hill rides the rim of the
sun,
Truth turns the struggle to pastime and
play,
Lady, be happy, there's light on the
way.

HOOPER APPEALS
TO GRADUATES
Efforts are being made by the United
States Food Administration to mobilize
for food administration work this
year's graduating classes in women's
and co-educational colleges throughout
the country. This action is taken as a
result of discussion at the recent con-
ference of Federal Food Administra-
tors held in Washington when Maine
was represented by Federal Food Ad-
ministrator Dr. Leon E. Merrill.

Food Administrator Herbert Hoover
is addressing a letter to the graduat-
ing women which reads in full as fol-
lows: "The United States Food Ad-
ministration calls you to its service.
Our appeal is so great that we appeal
to you to prepare yourselves as best
you can and to enlist for the great
work that must be done. There will be
diversity of tasks and therefore diver-
sity of talent and training can be used.
"All our questions now center in
food; its production, its distribution,
its use, its conservation. The more
you know about these things, the more
valuable you will be and the greater
will be your service to humanity. If
you have not already done so we urge
you to pursue studies dealing especial-
ly with food. These should be re-in-
forced by courses in chemistry, physi-
ology and economics. It will be well
too if you have acquired the arts of
public presentation of your knowledge
to the people who so much need it.
Fortunately most of our educational in-
stitutions now offer courses which give
the necessary training for this work
but to the others the appeal is being
sent to provide such instructions where-
ever it is possible. More detailed sug-
gestions and directions will be published
soon. Today your country asks you to
rejoice to be what you can in this hour
of extreme peril to the democratic peo-
ples of the world."

Mr. Hoover has also urged the Presi-
dents of women's colleges and the de-
partments of home economics in col-
leges and universities pointing out the
necessity of educating women students
for this work.

SOUTH PARIS

At the special meeting of the South
Paris Board of Trade in the Associa-
tion's office, Monday evening the ques-
tion of fuel was discussed. A fuel sur-
vey among the merchants and business
places in Market Square show the sup-
ply on hand sufficient until March.
The churches and lodges were repre-
sented and their conditions were dis-
cussed. A committee chosen to in-
vestigate the coal situation is com-
posed of Albert W. Walker, Arthur E.
Forbes and Walter L. Gray, Esq. An-
other committee to look after the
wood question is composed of William
J. Wheeler, E. M. Millett, J. E. An-
drews, Wilson O. Elder and Richard
H. Gates. Reports will be called for
later.

Beginning January 24 the Paris Li-
brary will be closed Thursday evenings
until further notice to save fuel. Sat-
urday evening it will be opened from
6:30 to 9:30.

Nomination papers of Republican
candidates in the primaries have been
circulated here during the past week
for Bert M. Peron for United States
Senator, Roy L. Wardwell for State As-
sessor, Orman L. Stanley for Porter for
State Senator and W. H. Jenne of
South Paris for Register of Deeds.

Professor Coleman of Bates College
preached the sermon at the Congrega-
tional church Sunday morning. Music
was furnished by a quartet.

At the annual meeting of the N. E.
M. P. A., the following officers were
elected for the ensuing year: President,
H. E. Judd; vice president, A. N.
Cairns; secretary and treasurer, W. C.
Thayer; head improvements and sani-
tation, G. H. McKen; delegates to the
county meeting to be held at South
Paris, Friday, February 2, H. E. Judd,
A. N. Cairns, W. C. Thayer, R. H.
Gates.

The installation of the Joshua F.
Chamberlain Camp, Sons of Veterans,
was held in the G. A. R. hall, Friday
evening. Past Deputy Commander Dr.
C. L. Buck installed the following of-
ficers: Commander, Stanley M. Wheel-
er; senior vice commander, Ernest O.
Millett; junior vice commander, Minot
L. Whittle; camp council, Percy Cole,
Walter L. Gray, Esq., Percival Hatha-
way.

The annual meeting of the trustees
of the Oxford County Agricultural So-
ciety was held at South Paris, Satur-
day, January 19. The dates set for the
annual fair are September 10, 11, 12.

The premium list was revised.
By the will of the late Mrs. D. M.
True, who passed away at the home of
her sister at New Gloucester, the Con-
gregational church of this town is to
receive \$2,000. The town of Paris is to
receive \$1,000. Other bequests are: To
Mary T. Haskell of New Gloucester,
a sister, \$2,000; to James E. Wright of
this town in trust for Anna Eliza Sea-
vey of Port Clyde, another sister,
\$5,000. Other local people remembered
are Henry Whitman, Mrs. Charlotte E.
Horne and Miss Lorraine Stevens. Two
bequests are for memorial funds, one
to be known as the D. M. True Fund
and the other as the D. M. True Per-
sonal Gift Fund. The Maine Bible So-
ciety, the Girls' Home at Belfast and
the Baptist Society of Port Clyde, are
also listed in the will for various
amounts. After all the bequests are
made the residue of the estate goes to
a nephew, James T. Pales. James E.
Wright of South Paris is named as ex-
ecutor.

A new steel ceiling is being put in
the grocery store of Fred N. Wright.
The three factories of the town:
William Penney's Mill, Paris Manufac-
turing Co., and the Mason Manufac-
turing Co., will not be obliged to close
Monday under the new fuel law as
they all three manufacture their own
fuel as well as fuel to sell.

William H. Wheeler, who was ar-
rested in Winchester, Virginia, re-
turned to South Paris with the officers
without any trouble the first of the
week and is once more in the County
jail. His wife and fourteen days old
infant returned also and will stay with
relatives at Rockfield. The old game
with checks at Rockfield, Virginia,
was the cause of his arrest. It is
closed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Morton and
Katherine Richardson were in Port-
land, Thursday. Katherine Richardson
is being treated by Dr. William of
Portland.

Mrs. J. P. Richardson was a guest
of Mr. and Mrs. Frank White at Dan-
ville Junction, Thursday.

Miss Rena Tibbels, who has been in
Boston for the past week for treat-
ment returned home Wednesday night.
Mrs. Nellie Brickert was in Bethel,
Thursday.

Mrs. Anna Hayes, who is spending
the winter with her sister in Portland,
was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Al-
ton Wheeler, Thursday. Mrs. Hayes
makes her home at South Paris during
the summer.

Henry Flemming is making a good
recovery from his recent illness.

Fred Little of Augusta, traveling
salesman for the firm of Edwards and
Walker, has been a guest of Mr. and
Mrs. J. P. Richardson for a few days.

George Morton was in Portland on
business, Tuesday.

Mrs. Alice of Stratford, N. H., was
called here the first of the week by
the illness of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph
Currier, and son, Clifford. Their ill-
ness was due to being vaccinated. Mrs.
Biggie returned to her home Thurs-
day morning.

Mrs. Myrtle Burgess and nephew,
Robert Tufts, Jr., were guests of Rob-
ert Tufts and family at Portland,
Thursday.

Frank Knapp has gone to Togus and
will play in the orchestra at the Soli-
diers' Home.

Clarence Bidion of West Paris was
in town on business, Thursday.

Theron Hathaway is reported as
quite ill at his home on High street.

Diana Wright is sick at the home of
her brother, John Wright, and her sis-
ter, Mrs. Mina W. Harriman, is caring
for her.

George Haskell, assistant secretary
of the Western Maine Poultry Associa-
tion is pleased with the showing of his
Barred Plymouth Rocks which were at
the last show. He won \$9 in prizes
and received favorable mention from
the judges for the quality of his birds.

Private Robert Snow from Camp
Greene, Charlotte, N. C., has been
spending a ten days furlough with his
wife at South Paris.

Henry Robinson is bringing in 'the
school scholars from Turkey Hill to
the different schools in town.

Mrs. Ella Ripley and Mrs. Frank
Barrows, who have been in Lewiston
for a few days as guests of Mrs. Rip-
ley's daughter, Mrs. Harry Olden,
returned home Friday morning.

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"Ready?" asked Connie, as the phone rang again, insistently.

"Go on, answer. Don't wait until I get started, I insist."

Connie removed the receiver and called the customary "Hello." Then, "Yes, just a minute. It's for you, Carol."

Carol rose dully. "It's Joe," she said in a dreamy-dreamy voice. "He's broken, I suppose. If there's anything I despise and abominate it's a broken date. Men have no business being broken, except their hearts, when girls are mixed up in it—Hello?"

"Oh, oh-h-h! Yes—it's professor! How are you?—Yes, indeed, yes, I'm going to be home. Yes, indeed. Come about eight. Of course I'll be here—nothing important—it didn't amount to anything at all—just a little old everyday affair—Yes, I can arrange it nicely—We're so anxious to see you—All right—Good-by."

She turned back to the table, her face flushed, eyes shining. "It's professor! He's in town just overnight, and he's coming out! I'll have to phone Joe—"

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"Oh, that's different," explained Carol. "This is professor! Besides, this will sort of even up for the Thanksgiving banquet last year."

"But that was Phil and this is Joe!"

"Oh, that's all right. It's just the principle, you know, nothing personal about it."

She stood thoughtfully beside the table, her brows puckered unconsciously.

"I think," she said at last slowly, with wary eyes on her father's quiet face, "I think I'll let the tack out of my old rose tree. It's too short!"

"Too short! Why, Carol," interrupted her aunt.

"Too short for the occasion, I mean. I'll put it back tomorrow." Once more her eyes turned cautiously fatherward.

"You see, professor still has the 'little twinkle' idea in his brain, and I'm going to get it out. It isn't consistent with our five feet seven. We're grown up. Professor has got to see it. You skirt upstairs, Connie, won't you, there's a dear, and bring it down, both of them. Lark's too, where did you put that rippin' knife? Aunt Grace, will you put the iron on for me? I'll perfectly right that professor should see we're growing up. We'll have to emphasize it something extra, or he might overlook it. It makes him feel Methodist because he's so awfully smart. But I'll soon change his mind for him."

It was less than two minutes the whole family was engaged in moving Carol up for the occasion. They didn't see any sense in it, but Carol seemed so unalterably convinced that it was necessary that they hated to question her motives.

If her idea had been utterly to dumfounded the unsuspecting professor, she succeeded admirably. Carefully she planned her appearance, giving him just the proper interval of waiting in the presence of her aunt and cousins. Then, a slow parting of the curtains, and Carol stood out, brightly, gladly, her slender hands held out in welcome. Carol, with long skirts swirling around her white-silken feet, her slender throat rising cream-white above the soft fold of old rose lace, her graceful head with its royal crown of bronze-gold hair, tilted most charmingly.

The professor sprang to his feet and stared at her. "Why, Carol," he exclaimed soberly, almost sadly, as he crossed the room and took her hand. "Why, Carol! Whatever have you been doing to yourself overnight?"

Of course, it was far more "overnight" than the professor knew, but Carol saw to it that there was nothing to arouse his suspicions on that score. He lifted her head high, and looked frankly down the long lines of her skirt, with the white toes of her slippers showing beneath. He shook his head. And though he smiled again, his voice was sober.

"I'm beginning to feel my age," he said.

"This was not what Carol wanted, and she returned her old childish manner with a gleeful laugh.

"What are you doing in your room at Mount Mark again, 'Professor'?" When Carol wished to be particularly coy, she said "Professor." It didn't sound exactly cultured, but spoken in Carol's voice was really irresistible.

"Why, I came to see you before your hair turned gray, and wrinkles marred you—"

"Wrinkles won't mar mine," cried Carol emphatically. "Not even! I use up a whole jar of cold cream every three weeks! I won't have 'em. Wrinkles! 'Professor, you don't know what a time I have keeping myself young."

She joined in the peal of laughter that came out as this age-wise statement fell from her lips.

"You'll be surprised," he said, "what does bring me to Mount Mark. I have given up my position in New York, and am going to school again in Chicago this winter. I shall be here only tonight. Tomorrow I begin to study again. I am changing my line of work. The fact is, I'm going to enter the ministry myself, and will have a couple of years in a theological seminary."

"After 'Professor' greeted this explanation. Not one word was spoken. They were going into these things rather deeply the last two years. For a year I've felt it would finally come to this, but I preferred my own job, and I thought I would stick it out, as Carol says. But I've decided to quit balking, and answer the call."

Aunt Grace nodded, with a warmly approving smile.

"But, professor," said Carol faintly and fidgetingly, "didn't you tell me you were to get five thousand dollars a year with the institute from this on?"

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"You'll be surprised," he said, "what does bring me to Mount Mark. I have given up my position in New York, and am going to school again in Chicago this winter. I shall be here only tonight. Tomorrow I begin to study again. I am changing my line of work. The fact is, I'm going to enter the ministry myself, and will have a couple of years in a theological seminary."

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WAR NEWS DIGEST

Stories of Activities and Conditions Throughout the United States and on the Battle Fronts from Washington, D. C.

American Forces Now Six Times as Large as in Spanish-American War
There were 1,129,650 enlisted men and 119,535 officers in the United States Army at the opening of 1918, more than one and a half times as large as any force ever before mobilized by this Nation, according to a statement by Secretary of War Baker.

During the war with Spain the Army of the United States at its maximum strength aggregated 272,000 men and officers. The Army in the field and in training now is practically six times as great as the maximum number under arms in the Spanish-American War. About 45,000 officers were commissioned from civil life in the two series of training camps, nearly eight times as many as the number of officers in the Regular Army April 1, 1917.

Library Association Provides Books for Fighting Forces

More than half a million books already have been furnished soldiers and sailors in training camps and in France by the American Library Association War Service and the flow is steadily increasing, according to the director of this work.

A campaign for funds inaugurated by the association last autumn netted more than \$1,500,000 and real results in the tangible shape of books and comfortable libraries are being felt by the soldiers and sailors. The Carnegie Corporation gave \$250,000 for the erection of camp libraries. Nearly all camps now have libraries and in the others the buildings are in course of construction. The reading rooms each accommodate 250 men.

For the men in France the association has organized distributing stations at all points of embarkation, where books are sorted for shipment abroad. From every soldier who steps on a transport will carry a book with him, which he and his companions will read on the way across, after which it will be forwarded to the men back of the trenches. No attempt will be made to establish libraries in France, but the association will have representatives there to supervise the work of distribution.

Matches and Other Articles Barred from Foreign Mail

Postmasters are directed not to accept for shipment to members of Expeditionary Forces packages containing matches, cigar lighters, or similar articles, including the preparation called "lighters" or "cigar lighters". It is not deemed safe to admit these articles to mails for foreign countries or for United States naval vessels, including mailers on shore in other countries.

Defective Eyes Cause Many Men First Rejected to Be Rejected at Camps
Examination of the records of 10,000 men passed for military service by local boards and then rejected by local surgeons show that nearly 22 per cent of the final rejection were caused by defective eyes.

Teeth were responsible for 8.50 per cent; hernia, 7.47 per cent; ear, 5.91 per cent; heart disease, 5.87 per cent; tuberculosis, 5.37 per cent. Attempts to evade military duty by deception regarding physical condition were very few.

Cost of Living in One Year Increased 23 Per Cent

According to the bureau of labor statistics of the Department of Labor, in the year from November 18, 1916, to November 18, 1917, prices of food as a whole advanced 23 per cent. Potatoes is the only article that shows a decline in price. Corn meal advanced 37 per cent; beans, 36 per cent; pork chops, 34 per cent; beans, 30 per cent; milk, 28 per cent; milk, 23 per cent; and lard, 27 per cent.

Food as a whole was 18 per cent higher on November 18, 1917, than on November 18, 1916, and 46 per cent higher on this date than on November 18, 1914. During the four-year period corn meal advanced 137 per cent; flour, 100 per cent; lard, 101 per cent; beans, 77 per cent; sugar, 75 per cent; and potatoes, 71 per cent. No article declined in price.

Men With Trades Have Chance for Advancement Into Signal Corps

More qualified along certain lines, although registered under the selective service law, may be inducted into the land division of the Signal Corps, which is in need of men for the following duties:

Chemists, meteorologists, drivers, and gas engine repairmen for duty in field and laboratory laboratories; telegraphers, both wire and radio; telephone men, including maintenance and repair, including and repairing telephone lines; telegraph and telegraph messenger personnel; and wireless telegraphing.

phers, blacksmiths, meteorologists, cobblers, cable men, etc.

Men inducted for this division, unless otherwise requested by the Chief Signal Officer of the Army, are sent to Fort Leavenworth, Kans.

Manufacturers of Shoes in Italy Stand Aghast by Government

The largest shoe factories in Italy have started manufacturing the national standard shoe, using leather supplied by the ministry of industry, commerce, and labor. The standard types were established by the central shoe committee in Rome, but every factory is making little modifications, according to its means and system of manufacturing.

The Government is organizing systems of sale of shoes to the public. They provide for the opening of stores in the principal Italian cities, to be engaged exclusively in the sale of national shoes and to be controlled by the Government authorities. It is likely that buyers will have to obtain cards. The private shoe stores will be supplied with an adequate number of shoes and will be granted a reasonable commission.

75,000 Colored Men Called Into Army by Selective-Service Law

Eight per cent of the 9,586,508 men registered under the selective-service law are colored. Of these nearly 200,000 have been called and more than 75,000 have been certified for service. Out of every 100 colored men called, 28 were certified for service and 61 were rejected, exempted, or discharged, while out of every 100 white citizens called, 25 were certified for service.

Schools and Colleges Offer War Courses for Women Students

Reports from 150 colleges and universities show that many typical war courses for women are being given. Among them are landline telegraphy, wireless telegraphy, automobile mechanics, nautical astronomy, navigation, elementary nursing, first aid, principles of war relief, draftsmanship, medical laboratory methods, map drawing, surgical dressings.

Usually these courses are given in time formerly devoted to recreation.

German Newspaper Officially Punishment of Soldier's Wife

The Committee on Public Information has made the following translation of an article appearing in the Bremer Bürger-Zeitung:

"A soldier's wife who had gathered wood in the common forest of Waldkirch, near Freiburg in Breisgau, was sentenced for the offense in the following terms:

"Mrs. Clara Gantler, on June 13, 1917, has removed from the common forest of Waldkirch, Bre 123, one fogot of dry fir twigs of the value of 10 pfennings. In punishment thereof she is sentenced to a fine of 1 mark and one day's imprisonment."

"The husband of the culprit has been for three years at the front, she herself has four small children to support in the direst poverty. Similar reports of punishment should be reported in greater numbers. Our bureaucracy understands how to employ this period of shortage of wood and coal on a large scale for the benefit of the treasury."

Men Training for Navy Have Benefit of Libraries and Clubs

The Army and Navy Commission on Training Camp Activities, in addition to the work being done in Army camps and cantonments, now has its representatives in every training station of the Navy and at every place where enlisted men are preparing for sea service.

Color of Card on Hat Denotes Service of Weaver

Just as the sleeve chevrons and bars, stars, and eagles on the shoulder plates ranking officers, the hat cord denotes the branch of service each private has entered.

Light blue signifies Infantry; scarlet, Artillery; yellow, Cavalry; buff, Quartermasters; purple, medical and white, Baggage; orange and white, Signal Corps; scarlet and black, Ordnance; black and white, Field clerk; brown, Medical Corps; black and gold, messengers; silver and black, adjutant general's clerk; green, instructor; brown, quartermaster; green and white, House Guards. These cords are worn only on service hats.

Under arctic wear as hat bands and a half white ribbons and an oval badge insignia representing the various branches of the Signal Corps, messenger bladders.

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THOMPSON REVISIONS

Colonel Robert M. Thompson has perhaps seen his pictures in the papers for the last time, as he has resigned the presidency of the Navy League. Owing to the latter attacks made upon Secretary of the Navy Daniels some months ago by the League, the Navy Department refused to permit any cooperation in war work with the League, so long as Colonel Thompson remained in its presidency. After a lot of storming and blustering Colonel Thompson has finally stepped down and out. It will be interesting to watch developments, as the future attitude of the Navy Department towards the League is rather important. Patriotic women all over the country have been getting their yarn from the Navy League and they have turned back their finished garments to it. But the League, in order to get the supplies to the Navy, have been obliged to turn them over to private individuals. The widow of Admiral Dewey was the go-between for awhile, and the Navy League presented all of its garments to her. In turn she passed them along to the Navy. Evidently Mrs. Dewey learned that her position in the matter was not popular, and she resigned. The League has continued to get its products to the Navy; and many of its members hope that since the organization has been "purged" through the resignation of Colonel Thompson, as demanded by Secretary Daniels, that all will be lovely in the future.

GILEAD

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hildebrand are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, born Jan. 5th.

A. D. Wight and A. R. Bryant were in Bethel last Friday.

Mrs. Julia Lester of Berlin, N. H., is visiting relatives here.

Miss Mary Dolan arrived home last Monday, having completed her duties at W. R. Brown's at Berlin, N. H.

Grover German and family of Sunday River have moved into one of G. P. Leighton's rents.

Gordon and Westworth Brown of Berlin, N. H., spent a few days in town last week.

Herbert Sheridan of Berlin, N. H., was a guest of friends in town the first of the week.

The home of James Pagan was destroyed by fire last Monday afternoon and none of the household furniture was saved. The fire caught around the pipes leading from the furnace to the chimney. Mr. Pagan was at his work at Berlin, N. H., at the time.

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The United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, calls the attention of farmers to the fact that even at the recently fixed prices of iron and steel it should be possible for most farmers to reap an overlooked profit through the sale of the old iron and steel scattered about their premises; that the saving of such old scrap metal will help to meet the present serious deficiency in the supply of iron and steel; that the use of the old metal will accomplish savings in coke, which is now to be had only at unprecedented prices; that the delivery of the old iron and steel at foundries far from iron mines and big steel centers will correspondingly relieve the excessive strain on the mines, some of the furnaces, and the railway and boat traffic in the coke and iron producing districts. The farmer who turns in his junk while the present prices prevail is likely not only to make a clear profit over the cost of hauling and freight, but, through increasing the iron and steel supply, he is contributing to the successful prosecution of the war.

Iron and steel are needed and must be had for innumerable things—guns, shells, ships, bridges, buildings, tanks, automobiles, airplanes, railroads, engines, pipe, oil-well casings, etc., and for export to the allies, Italy in particular being badly in need of steel for all purposes. This is the main fact.

In the Northeastern States scrap metals have long been more or less taken care of, mainly by the ubiquitous junk man, and along most railroads and about most industrial plants they are now salvaged systematically. However, in the greater part of the United States little attention is given to saving the old metal scattered about the industrial plants of the farmers, where abandoned binders, plows, mowers, rakes, etc., occupy the fence corners and roadsides, and discarded stoves, pumps, pipe, and small utensils rust about the barns and sheds. A considerable part of this junk is already on wheels with tongue and whiffletree attached, ready in fact to be "walked" on its own legs to the freight station.

According to the census returns there were in 1910 about 1,255,000,000 dollars worth of agricultural machinery alone on the 6,201,503 American farms. Farm implements, not including stoves, chains, tools, etc., valued at about \$105,000,000, are sold annually. A considerable part of the cost of manufacturing this farm machinery lies in the metals used, and the metals include not only iron and steel of various grades and values but occasional small parts of brass or copper. Most binders and mowers have one or more bearings lined with Babbitt metal containing tin worth from 60 cents and lead worth 10 cents per pound. On the whole, excluding the metals used in railroad construction and building, by far the greater part of all the iron and steel produced in this country in normal years is shipped out to the farm. It has been roughly estimated that three-fourths of this metal stays on the farm. As to this question, the farmer can judge for himself. How much of this is lying around on your premises? If there is any—and there is probably plenty—it is a good time to consider its disposal while the war lasts and the prices are high. Besides, the country needs the metal.

Many farmers will take advantage of the opportunity to recover a profitable revenue from this overlooked and wasted product; others, according to distance from the markets, may sell at little or no profit, except the satisfying sense of patriotic duty performed. Still others remote from the consuming countries and furnaces cannot afford a high cost of delivery which may far exceed the price received for the junk. Information should be secured in advance on this question. The Geological Survey suggests that farmers take up the question through the grange, the alliance, the farmers' unions, State experiment stations, the farmers' institutes, and other similar organizations, with a view to ascertaining the location of the best market, probably the nearest foundry or junk dealer; the cost of transportation; the best prices obtainable for the different classes of junk or implements, and the quantities of junk that can be used at the foundry or handled by the dealer. The same agencies might well arrange for cooperative local action on the part of the farmers in the different communities, fixing dates when cars would be in readiness for loading the old metals, informing the farmers as to possible grading of their junk and attending to railway transportation, delivery, and possible settlements at the place of consumption.

Cooperation should bring the best results. Care should be taken not to overburden the farmer or consumer by all the juggling of sugar, and the milking down of a few million dollars from the American people, while sugar is in the famine class. It is very apparent that the American Sugar Refining Company profited by forcing package goods on the consumer, at an advance of forty cents per hundred pounds, when granulated sugar could not be bought in the stores, largely for the reason that it was stored in Philadelphia and San Francisco. Equally entertaining has been the coal investigation, and Congress has sought to find out whether the railroads, miners, owners or local coal dealers were to blame for all the cold feet and hands that have been known to exist in different sections of the country. The disclosures regarding army and navy matters, shipbuilding, and a dozen other big subjects, would have called for big newspaper headlines in normal times—but now it is quite different, and very little interest is shown in these very important investigations. However, the information that is being gained will be of great use to Congress in framing new legislation at this session.

GROVER HILL

Fred E. Wheeler of Wheeler's market, Bethel, was calling on friends here Monday.

Elmer Saunders and Miss Della McAllister were recent guests of friends in Albany.

Alfred J. Penales from West Bethel was at H. A. Lyon's the first of the week.

Milan Chapin from the steam mill is hauling lumber for Harry Lyon.

Clyde L. Whitman hauled some firewood for his brother, E. H. Whitman, Mechanic street, Bethel, Saturday.

A snow shoe party from Bethel Inn was in this place one day last week.

Miss Nellie Blake from Milan, N. H., is the guest of relatives here for awhile.

Mrs. Roy Andrews and Mrs. F. E. Wheeler from Bethel were on Grover Hill one day last week.

Homer Bartlett went to East Bethel, Saturday, to visit with friends over Sunday.

NORTH NEWBY

W. D. Kilgore went to Bethel, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight and son, Daniel, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Drake, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Kilgore are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Alfred Hunt.

Edith Vail is assisting with the work at W. R. Kilgore's.

Mr. Duncan McPherson and Miss Selma Smith of Newry Corner were in this part of the town, Sunday.

SUNDAY RIVER

A. G. Rames has bought a driving horse of Alfred Hobbs.

Jim Reynolds has finished cutting wood for Harry Tolman.

Bruce Bailey has the measles.

Joe Spinyer is boarding at Frank Williamson's.

Harry Tolman was called to Lewiston, Saturday, by the illness of his wife, who is staying at the hospital there.

Elmer Dean spent Sunday at home.

Alvin Chapman has sold his horse to Glen Swan.

The road breakers were out again Tuesday with six horses.

Two Irishmen were walking along Pat stopped to pick up something. Mike said, "What did you find, Pat?" Pat returned, "Begorra, if I could find the man that ships like a quarter of a cheese Ale."—Nellie Healy, New York City, N. Y.

SAVE SCRAP METAL.

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Overlooked Waste Product: Convertible Into Cash with Profit to Farmer and Service to Country.

The shortage in the supply of the iron and steel, which this country must have in increasing amounts if the war is to be won, has developed a new source of income for the farmer, and not merely a few farmers but most farmers.

The United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, calls the attention of farmers to the fact that even at the recently fixed prices of iron and steel it should be possible for most farmers to reap an overlooked profit through the sale of the old iron and steel scattered about their premises; that the saving of such old scrap metal will help to meet the present serious deficiency in the supply of iron and steel; that the use of the old metal will accomplish savings in coke, which is now to be had only at unprecedented prices; that the delivery of the old iron and steel at foundries far from iron mines and big steel centers will correspondingly relieve the excessive strain on the mines, some of the furnaces, and the railway and boat traffic in the coke and iron producing districts. The farmer who turns in his junk while the present prices prevail is likely not only to make a clear profit over the cost of hauling and freight, but, through increasing the iron and steel supply, he is contributing to the successful prosecution of the war.

Iron and steel are needed and must be had for innumerable things—guns, shells, ships, bridges, buildings, tanks, automobiles, airplanes, railroads, engines, pipe, oil-well casings, etc., and for export to the allies, Italy in particular being badly in need of steel for all purposes. This is the main fact.

In the Northeastern States scrap metals have long been more or less taken care of, mainly by the ubiquitous junk man, and along most railroads and about most industrial plants they are now salvaged systematically. However, in the greater part of the United States little attention is given to saving the old metal scattered about the industrial plants of the farmers, where abandoned binders, plows, mowers, rakes, etc., occupy the fence corners and roadsides, and discarded stoves, pumps, pipe, and small utensils rust about the barns and sheds. A considerable part of this junk is already on wheels with tongue and whiffletree attached, ready in fact to be "walked" on its own legs to the freight station.

According to the census returns there were in 1910 about 1,255,000,000 dollars worth of agricultural machinery alone on the 6,201,503 American farms. Farm implements, not including stoves, chains, tools, etc., valued at about \$105,000,000, are sold annually. A considerable part of the cost of manufacturing this farm machinery lies in the metals used, and the metals include not only iron and steel of various grades and values but occasional small parts of brass or copper. Most binders and mowers have one or more bearings lined with Babbitt metal containing tin worth from 60 cents and lead worth 10 cents per pound. On the whole, excluding the metals used in railroad construction and building, by far the greater part of all the iron and steel produced in this country in normal years is shipped out to the farm. It has been roughly estimated that three-fourths of this metal stays on the farm. As to this question, the farmer can judge for himself. How much of this is lying around on your premises? If there is any—and there is probably plenty—it is a good time to consider its disposal while the war lasts and the prices are high. Besides, the country needs the metal.

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SUNDAY RIVER

A. G. Rames has bought a driving horse of Alfred Hobbs.

Jim Reynolds has finished cutting wood for Harry Tolman.

Bruce Bailey has the measles.

Joe Spinyer is boarding at Frank Williamson's.

Harry Tolman was called to Lewiston, Saturday, by the illness of his wife, who is staying at the hospital there.

Elmer Dean spent Sunday at home.

Alvin Chapman has sold his horse to Glen Swan.

The road breakers were out again Tuesday with six horses.

Two Irishmen were walking along Pat stopped to pick up something. Mike said, "What did you find, Pat?" Pat returned, "Begorra, if I could find the man that ships like a quarter of a cheese Ale."—Nellie Healy, New York City, N. Y.

ARE THERE WEEVILS IN YOUR BEAN SEED?

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So frequent are the inquiries which come to the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station concerning the pea and bean weevils that this account is given as a response.

The single round hole frequently found in seed peas is due to the pea weevil, (*Bruchus pisorum*), a blackish beetle and about one-fifth of an inch long, covered with brown pubescence and marked with black and white variegations. The young insect is a whitish grub which when very small is often an unsuspected inhabitant of green peas. In seed peas, however, the insect has grown large enough to be detected as an unwelcome partner of the crop.

A simple and effective remedy, and one that has been in operation for fifty years or more, consists merely in keeping seed peas in a close receptacle, such as a tight bag or box, over one season before planting.

When it is desired to plant the first season after gathering the seed, bags in which peas have been kept tightly closed should be placed in a tight box or vessel and disinfected with bluing. This method will kill the weevils without destroying the germinative power of the seed, and its effectiveness is in proportion to the tightness of the receptacle. Benzine and naphtha or gasoline will serve the same purpose. In the use of these remedies care should be observed, on account of their inflammability, not to treat material in the immediate vicinity of fire, such as a light lamp or cigar.

Heat. Heat is of value in destroying insects in stored material, and it has been found by experiment that a temperature of 145 degrees F. will kill the weevils in the seed without injury to the germinative property of the seed. A similar remedy consists in soaking infested seed for one minute in boiling water. A longer time is apt to injure it for planting.

The common bean weevil (*Bruchus obtectus*) is a smaller but more dangerous insect than the pea weevil for it not only develops in the growing peas in the pod but continues to breed in the stored seed until it is worthless either for planting or food. This insect is about an eighth of an inch long and of a mottled olive brown color. Over 20 of these pests have been found with in a single bean and several generations develop during the year.

From the fact that the species continues to breed for upward of a year in dried seed, it is obvious that neither the expedient of holding over seed for a year before planting nor that of planting late for seed stock would be productive of good, as in the case of the pea weevil. Requests must therefore be had to fumigation or to heat, and the earlier the seed is treated after it has been gathered the better the result.

Just before it is planted seed infested with this bean weevil should be lightly thrown into water. Badly infested seed will float, and may then be picked out or poured off and destroyed. Sound seed only should be reserved for planting.

The entomological records of the Maine Agricultural Experiment Station show that the bean weevil has been troublesome in Maine for more than 20 years and that it is widely distributed in this State. In view of the fact that so many beans are raised and eaten here it would seem to be well worth while to take the proper precautions against this insect in order that it may be kept under control. There is no practical way of combating either the pea weevil or the bean weevil in the field but it is not difficult to kill the pest in storage.

Chas. D. Woods, Director.

shipping at once, so that ten great quantities are delivered within a short period, for it is important to bear in mind that many thousands may not have the junk capacity, or the extra labor needed to sort and break up great quantities of scrap when it is delivered. Somewhat definite arrangements should be made in advance of shipment; and these can best be accomplished by some such agencies as those suggested above.

The winter and early spring should be the best time for gathering up the scrap metal, getting in touch with the markets, and arranging community shipments. The farmer should leave whether he is too far from markets and should ascertain the scope and extent of the market demands. There is plenty of time within which to gather and ship his scrap, but his cooperative information system should be organized now. The farmers have many hundreds of thousands of tons on hand; the prices are exceedingly high; the economic standpoint; it is a question of profitable thrift; of relieving in part the shortage in the metals of conserving the iron ore had cut in the ground, and supplying to the country.

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